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*“While you Smile, another Smiles  
And soon there’s miles and miles of Smiles,  
And life’s worth living  
If you’ll but Smile.”*



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## IMPRESSIONS OF THE ELEVENTH PAN- HELLENIC CONGRESS

George Ade has said, "If we could march all the Greek letter men in America down a broad sunny highway and watch them go by, I am sure we would be very proud and very Panhellenic."

No one who attended the Congress could fail to feel very proud and very Panhellenic, as for two days and a half we sat in session with officers and delegates of the eighteen Congress fraternities.

Perhaps the Greek world will not be completely revolutionized by the results of our meeting but there is an indefinable influence which will reach all chapters from the coming together of so many who are divided in name, but who are working for the same good purpose and have the same high ideal.

We have a little private Panhellenic of our own, for in C 26 and 28 of the hotel, were Pearle Green, Louise Shipman-Wagner and myself—while our fourth was Louise Fitch, editor of *The Trident*, all of us living in peace and harmony and much enjoying ourselves. The only subject we found for difference, was whether Clara Lynn Fitch's small daughters should be Thetas or Tri Deltas when they arrive at college age. This question we settled to our own satisfaction at least, by deciding to give these small Fitchs a double initiation.

The business of Congress I shall not speak about—you will get it in full in the report and when these are received I should so much like to know that you have all familiarized yourselves with its contents.

Thursday evening after dinner at the College Club, Miss Fitch gave us a most entertaining stereoptican lecture, showing pictures

of sixty colleges, groups and college scenes, all of these having been visited by her in the past two years.

The tea given for the Congress by the College Club and the dinner at Hull House made variety for the delegates and visitors but of course the big event was the luncheon at the Gymnasium in Evanston. Nearly 400 women were seated at the tables and as the Chicago papers delighted to say "one brave man". This was Mr. Banta, our publisher who in his own family has a miniature Panhellenic Congress—he himself is a Phi Delta Theta and a Delta Gamma, his daughter is a Delta Gamma, his wife a Phi Mu, his sister a Kappa Alpha Theta and his daughter-in-law an Alpha Phi.

Mrs. McElroy acted as toastmistress, Miss Blanchard, acting dean of women and a Kappa Alpha Theta, welcomed all to Northwestern, there were fine toasts given by the following Grand-Presidents—Miss Powell of Kappa Kappa Gamma, Doctor Hopkins of Zeta Tau Alpha, Mrs. Collins of Chi Omega, Miss Shepherd of Gamma Phi Beta. Mr. Banta also spoke, each chapter sang one of its own fraternity songs and the luncheon closed with the singing of the University Hymn.

Kappa Alpha Theta has had only three delegates in the eleven years of the congress and they all were present at this meeting. Mrs. Norton, our first delegate, who so ably helped to blaze the way for true Panhellenism, Miss Green, who was delegate during the time that Kappa Alpha Theta had the secretaryship and presidency, and of course the present delegate. In addition Miss Blanchard, Dean at Evanston, Alice Wadsworth, former Grand Secretary, and Louise Shipman-Wagner were visitors.

EVA REED HALL.

## THE NATIONAL PANHELLENIC CONGRESS—A VISITOR'S IMPRESSIONS

It was with anticipations of the greatest pleasure that I looked forward to the convening of the eleventh National Panhellenic Congress. The place of meeting promised well, an interesting program had been arranged and there would be old friends to greet and new ones to meet. So when I came to the first session on the after-

noon of Thursday, October seventeen, I was in a mood to enjoy everything to the utmost. Needless to say, I was not disappointed. The accommodations at the Congress Hotel were of the best and we were assured the fulfillment of every need by the management, through the personal intercession of Mr. Leigh Reilly, the husband of the secretary of the N. P. C.,  $\Gamma\Phi B$ 's delegate. The program was interesting throughout. The sessions contained so much of importance that one had constantly to be on the alert or miss something. Then, too, the social events of the program gave much pleasure and afforded relief from the concentration of the sessions. They gave opportunity for old friends of previous congresses to become better acquainted and for the new delegates to gain a better understanding of methods and of former action. One of the most important results of such gatherings cannot help but come from the interchange of ideas and ideals which comes with mere social contact of such women as these, representing the highest and best of their respective fraternities.

The personnel of the congress was much the same as that of last year. Two fraternities  $\Phi M$  and  $K\Delta$  have been admitted since the last meeting so, of course their delegates were new. Otherwise twelve of the remaining sixteen were official representatives last year; and one other was a visitor last time. Since there had been a conference of Grand Presidents the day preceding the N. P. C., those presidents who were not official delegates to the congress, remained as visitors, and with the other visitors present, usually brought the total attendance up to forty or more. It was truly an inspiring sight to see the long table in the center of the room surrounded by the eighteen interested and interesting delegates and they in turn, surrounded by at least an equal number of attentive visitors.

The four sessions were all full to the brim, for there were many committee reports to be acted upon and also a large number of recommendations submitted by the different delegates. The work of the recommendation committee is very heavy at present, for at a mid-night session it must arrange and tabulate, as best it may, all recommendations and see that there are no duplicates or repetitions. As the records now stand this is much of a task as all minutes and

bulletins must be consulted. To assist this committee, the congress appointed for the coming five years, a historian in the person of Mrs. Ida Shaw Martin. With former action tabulated and recommendations submitted in advance it is believed that the work of both the committee and the congress may proceed with much greater expedition. The distinguishing mark of the first session was the evidence of cooperation and Panhellenic interest shown in the delegates' reports, the trend of the recommendations toward establishing a high scholarship ideal, and the discussion of the best methods of attaining this. The second session was entirely given over to the consideration and discussion of recommendations. Although these stood for betterment and advance, it proved monotonous and tiring work to give constant attention to details which might result in mistakes unless considered in all their phases and connections. The third session opened with a paper on "High school fraternities, as related to college fraternities", by Mr. John Calvin Hanna of Oak Park. This was a most able presentation of the evils and follies of the former in contrast to the good aim and effects of the latter. After Mr. Hanna left, Miss Lake spoke on the subject of chapter house conditions. She has visited many chapter houses and told some of the extremes of conduct which she thought needed remedy. It is better to watch out for the little questionable things—and then not do them, for no chapter house wants its reputation clouded in the least. The remainder of the third session and the fourth were taken up with the consideration of recommendations and committee reports, with subsequent action on these.

Now to turn from actual business sessions, there were many outside things of interest. First, we were enabled to have our luncheons, and dinner on Thursday evening, at the Chicago College Club rooms. These meal-time gatherings at small tables and in a room practically by ourselves, proved to be veritable wells of sociability and discussion. Probably each meal found you with different companions, so that you had a chance to get many viewpoints along many lines as well as the special subjects of discussion brought from the sessions. On Thursday evening, a screen was put up at one end of the club room and immediately after dinner we listened to a stereoptican lecture by



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R. Louise Fitch, editor and former ΔΔΔ inspector, on colleges she had visited all over the United States, and various customs prevalent at these institutions. The information given and the pictures shown, gave much valuable information of colleges north, south, east and west, colleges old and new, and colleges with and without fraternities. The lecture was first presented at the convention of ΔΔΔ last summer, in whose interest all this material had been gathered. On Friday afternoon the College Club entertained at a tea in honor of those attending the N. P. C. and that evening several went to Hull House for dinner and to see as much as possible of its attractions and activities. The closing event and crown of the whole congress was the Panhellenic banquet, which took place Saturday noon at the Patten gymnasium at Northwestern university, Evanston. This was truly a Panhellenic gathering, with three hundred ninety-six women and one man present. This one brave man was Mr. Banta, the publisher of most of the fraternity magazines, who showed his wisdom by having a toast all prepared when he was called upon for an impromptu speech. The singing of fraternity songs at intervals during the banquet formed a pleasant diversion and showed the location of each group in the big room. Then everyone moved up near the speaker's table in order to hear the program. This consisted of a welcome to Northwestern by acting-dean of women, Miss Blanchard, K A Θ, and six toasts, responded to by Miss Powell, President of K K Γ; Miss Fitch, Editor of the TRIDENT; Dr. Hopkins, President of Z T A; Mrs. Collins, President of X Ω; and Miss Shepherd, President of Γ Φ B: In closing I give to you the message which Miss Fitch gave to us in closing her toast. It is, indirectly quoted, that a fraternity pin does not make its wearer any better than any one else. It, however, implies obligations which have been voluntarily assumed and thus gives others the right to expect more of fraternity members.

LOUISE SHIPMAN WAGNER.

October 22, 1912.

## NATIONAL PANHELLENIC CONGRESS NOTES

In 1902, the first congress had delegates from seven fraternities. In 1912, the eleventh congress had delegates from eighteen fraternities. A fair index to the growth of the fraternity movement in its tardy response to the spreading educational movement.

One evening, Miss Fitch, editor of *TRIDENT*, took the conference on a delightful trip to the colleges. The pictures thrown on the screen were very interesting and Miss Fitch's running comments most entertaining. She is known as the Dean of visiting officers, having visited with the fraternities at sixty different colleges.

Dinner after one day's busy session was at Hull house. The visit to this wonderful settlement center was most suggestive of the social service needs to which every college woman must contribute.

Mr. Banta, the publisher of our magazine, and those of most of the other fraternities too, was present at the luncheon and also at one session of the congress. He has many Panhellenic affiliations: himself a member of Phi Delta Theta and Delta Gamma, his wife a Phi Mu, his daughter a Delta Gamma, his daughter-in-law an Alpha Phi, and his sister, Mrs. Beeson, a Kappa Alpha Theta to whom we owe our present Journal cover.

Through the courtesy of the College club, its luncheon rooms were Panhellenic headquarters at meal time. On Friday afternoon, this club gave a tea in honor of the delegates to the congress.

The congress delegates and visitors had their pictures taken, results of which we present in this number. Can you identify the different fraternities?

The delegates to the convention were:

Pi Beta Phi, Mrs. J. L. Lardner.

Kappa Alpha Theta, Miss Eva R. Hall.

Kappa Kappa Gamma, Miss Eva Powell.  
Alpha Phi, Mrs. J. H. McElroy.  
Delta Gamma, Marguerite Lake.  
Gamma Phi Beta, Mrs. Leigh Reilly.  
Alpha Chi Omega, Mrs. James Crann.  
Delta Delta Delta, Mrs. E. N. Parmelee.  
Alpha Xi Delta, Lena G. Baldwin.  
Chi Omega, Mrs. H. M. Collins.  
Sigma Kappa, Mrs. Grace Small Houlder.  
Alpha Omicron Pi, Mrs. W. J. Campbell.  
Zeta Tau Alpha, May Agness Hopkins.  
Alpha Gamma Delta, Elizabeth Corbett.  
Alpha Delta Phi, Mrs. W. C. Coles.  
Delta Zeta, Mrs. Alfa Lloyd Hayes.  
Phi Mu, Louese Monning.  
Kappa Delta, Jean Coltrane.

The executive committee to whom fell the arduous work of arranging for and conducting the congress, was the delegates of Alpha Phi, president, Gamma Phi Beta, secretary, and Alpha Chi Omega, treasurer. The new board will be, Gamma Phi Beta, president, Alpha Chi Omega, secretary, and Delta Delta Delta, treasurer.

For a day preceding the congress, the Grand presidents of the congress fraternities held informal sessions for the discussion of fraternity relations. Fifteen Grand presidents were in attendance, some of whom had come for this conference from homes as far from Chicago as Boston, New Orleans, Texas, and California. The other three congress fraternities were also represented in this conference: Pi Beta Phi by her vice-president, Mrs. Lardner; Sigma Kappa, by her congress delegate, Mrs. Houlder; and our own fraternity by our Grand secretary, Miss Green, who went as Miss Hale's personal representative, since Miss Hale was detained in New York by conflicting engagements.

Mrs. Parmelee, president of Delta Delta Delta, has the unique distinction of being the one delegate who has attended every assembly

of the National Panhellenic. Miss Thompson, Gamma Phi Beta, the new chairman, was a member of a number of the early conferences. The presence of delegates who are familiar with all the National Panhellenic's history is of great value in expediting work.

One noon the editors of fraternity magazines, who chanced to be at the congress, held a conference luncheon. Those present look forward to the establishment of such a congress as a custom of the congress, as these editors could launch plans for much mutual benefit cooperation.

Kappa Alpha Theta was represented at the conference by our Grand vice-president, Miss Eva R. Hall. Visiting Thetas were, Mrs. Louise Shipman Wagner, Miss Hall's deputy; Mrs. Laura H. Norton and the Grand secretary, Miss Green, both delegates to former congresses; Miss Alice Wadsworth, former Grand secretary; and Miss Irene Blanchard, acting Dean of women at Northwestern university

The annual Panhellenic luncheon was the closing feature of the conference. To this function all fraternity women in or near Chicago were invited. It was at the Patton gymnasium of Northwestern university. Three-hundred and eighty-seven fraternity women and one fraternity man, Mr. Banta, attended the luncheon. Alpha Phi and Gamma Phi Beta had the largest representation, each with 43 members present; Alpha Chi Omega was next with 39; then came Kappa Delta and Kappa Alpha Theta, each with 33 delegates; Delta Delta Delta had a delegation of 31; Pi Beta Phi and Chi Omega, each had 29 present; Delta Gamma, 27; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 24; Alpha Omicron Pi, 22; Alpha Xi Delta, 18; Phi Mu, 7; Sigma Kappa, 4; Zeta Tau Alpha and Alpha Gamma Delta, each 2; Alpha Delta Phi and Delta Zeta, each 1.

The interesting toast programme for the luncheon was presided over by Mrs. McElroy, president of Alpha Phi and of the Eleventh National Panhellenic. The speakers were Miss Blanchard, Kappa Alpha Theta and Dean of women at Northwestern; Miss Powell,



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president of Kappa Kappa Gamma; Miss Fitch, editor of Delta Delta Delta; Dr. Hopkins, president of Zeta Tau Alpha; Mr. Banta, Phi Delta Theta; Mrs. Collins, president of Chi Omega; Miss Shepherd, president of Gamma Phi Beta.

The 33 Thetas attending the luncheon represented eight chapters—Alpha, Delta, Eta, Rho, Tau, Upsilon, Phi, and Psi. They were: Zelda Henson, Clara Tatley, Margaret Wilcox, Ruth Ann Hunt, Margie S. Hurlbut, Helen L. Swasey, Beulah Tomblin, Helen Burton, Helen Crawley, Helen Ryan, Alma Swain, Dorothy Martin, Edith Shelby, Beulah M. Spofford, Bessie G. Mars, Minnie C. Bagley, Jean Meredith Beyers, Louise M. Nichols, Vera V. Verbeck, Marion Jennings, and Eva R. Hall, all of Tau; Elizabeth B. Williams, Rho; Mary Evans Mason and Mabel Stuart Knapp of Psi; Helen Nind French of Upsilon; Elizabeth Speed McFadden, Florine Gobin, Margaretta S. N. Helm, M. Agnes Beals, all of Alpha; Minnie Parker Stults and Louise Shipman Wagner of Delta, Irene Blanchard, Eta; L. Pearle Green, Phi.

The Summer Panhellenic: So many conventions were held in the vicinity of Chicago this summer that the Panhellenic delegates living there, planned a luncheon at Field's at the time when the Pi Beta Phi convention had closed in Evanston, the Alpha Phi convention in Minneapolis, the Alpha Chi Omega at Madison and the Kappa Alpha Theta Grand council were returning from their meeting at Geneva Lake.

Mrs. McElroy presided and something of interest was given by a representative of each fraternity. A goodly number were gathered in Panhellenic harmony as will be seen by the list of those present. Kappa Kappa Gamma, Kittie Parsons Hanna, Gene Craig Reasoner, Edna Huggins Hicks; Pi Beta Phi, Anna Robinson Nickerson, Sarah G. Pomeroy, Amy B. Onken, Lida B. Lardner; Alpha Phi, Cora Allen McElroy, Nell W. Paeham, Frances Poole, Harriet B. Wheelihan, Sue Maher; Gamma Phi Beta, Alice Hosmer Preble, Esther Rich Reilly; Delta Delta Delta, Amy O. Parmelee; Phi Mu, Zenobia Wooten, Ruth Huffman; Alpha Chi Omega, Lois Smith Crann; Kappa Alpha Theta, Louise Shipman Wagner, Eva R. Hall.

## SCHOLARSHIP

What the fraternity and college world thinks about the importance of college scholarship.

Kappa Sigma has offered a silver cup "as an incentive to improvement in scholarship to that chapter in each district which shall lead in scholastic standing." Seventeen scholarship cups were awarded at the 1912 convention. As a stimulus to scholarship Alpha Tau Omega issues a certificate of honor to its members for election to the honorary fraternities, for excellence in debate, for excellence in oratory and for a *magna cum laude* degree. The Colorado alumni association of Alpha Tau Omega has established a fund by means of which a set of books will be awarded to any member of the Boulder chapter who is elected to Phi Beta Kappa or Sigma Xi. The alumni of the fraternities in Westminster have offered a cup to the chapter standing highest in scholarship, the cup to be awarded each year. The Chicago alumni of Delta Upsilon have inaugurated a custom of presenting keys to the leaders in scholarship in both the Northwestern and Chicago chapters. The keys are reproductions of the keys worn by the founders of the fraternity.—Φ Δ Θ *Scroll*.

At the last convention of Theta Delta Chi announcement was made of a gift of \$1,000, "to be used in such a way as the fraternity might determine to promote the scholarship of the several charges" [chapters].

Nevertheless, the problem of scholarship is a serious one, and most certainly "THE" question confronting the college fraternity today and we cannot afford to ignore it. If you wish to know the dominating phases of college life, just read the chapter letters. As a rule, athletics, society, theatricals, glee clubs, and every activity, except scholarship, permeates the chapter letter. This indicates the activities which are most interesting to the college student. But we believe the foregoing conditions exist mostly in the larger colleges and state universities—while in the smaller colleges, debating, ora-

tory, scholastic attainments are the most important functions. We believe every college activity has its place—and it would be unreasonable to expect an athlete to be a grind—and equally exacting to have your orator the hero of the gridiron—though we know of several instances where such a fact was true. We feel that the members of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon owe a duty to the college—the first duty—if you please—and the fraternity and other incidents of college life occupy a secondary place. The fraternity members should excel in scholastic standing. And by a special interest manifested in the underclassmen, not spasmodically, but regularly, the failures will be lessened. They need careful watching and coaching—and many times the upperclassmen themselves need a little attention. We do not expect perfection—but the fraternity has a right to insist that its members maintain the average standing in their college work. And, unless the fraternity takes the initiative and requires its members to maintain that average—we can expect faculty regulation which will compel them to do so, or be dropped from college.—  
*S A E Record.*

That college fraternity which in the future wishes to maintain a high standing in the college world must recognize the modern trend of educational thought. It therefore will limit the activities of its members in extramural affairs and center its interest more than ever before on the selection and development of the “all-round” man; the man who places competent scholarship first and foremost, but who will also develop the ability to lead in only one or two of all the extramural activities of the student body, resisting with strength of character the temptation to dissipate his energies among too large a group of interests—K Σ *Caduceus*.

In reference to the widely discussed question of the relation of Greek letter men to scholastic standing, the Washington university of St. Louis, Mo., has adopted the idea of showing to the possible candidate for a fraternity the student ability of the brothers before he enters. It is a rule of the university now that the scholastic standing of each fraternity be published at the end of each term. In this

way, if a man has a certain fraternity under consideration he can decide whether he is of the same mental calibre. The faculty can also keep a line on the habits of the different societies as groups instead of individuals.—*New York Herald*.

The Alpha Xi Delta convention at Madison in October, 1911, authorized the designing of an official honor ring to be awarded by the fraternity to members graduating with an average of 90% for their four years work or to those making Phi Beta Kappa or Sigma Xi.

It is at this time of the year that plans should be made by each chapter to keep its members in good scholastic standing. The responsibility is primarily with the individual undergraduates, but the chapter, as an organized unit, has an important part to do. And in relation to this work may there not be found an answer to the oft-repeated question: "What are the objects and opportunities of our Alumni associations?" Surely an Alumni association or an individual alumnus, could be of no greater service to a chapter or to the fraternity than to aid and oversee the scholastic work of undergraduates. At least twenty of our organized associations are located in or near cities in which we have active chapters. If the associations would undertake some supervision of the scholarship of nearby chapters, there would arise no question as to the practical usefulness of such an organization.—*Φ K Ψ Shield*.

Fraternity regulations at the University of Missouri. The Board of curators of the University of Missouri at the June 1912 meeting amended the rule concerning fraternity initiates to read as follows:

No student having less than twenty-four hours credit toward graduation shall be permitted to become a member of any fraternity or sorority, or live in any fraternity or sorority house; except that the Committee on student activities may at its discretion waive this rule in the case of any student who has made fifteen hours credit in his or her first semester in the university.

At the same time the Board of curators passed these resolutions:

"1. That as regards the question of admitting new students under the fifteen hour regulation, the Committee on student activities shall especially favor the fraternities having a creditable standing for scholarship.

"2. That the fraternities should be made to understand that next year or not later than two years hence, the right of any fraternity to initiate members will probably be made to depend upon its scholastic record."

Next to the question of the real qualification of the new member is the question of scholarship. The real reason for a man being in college is to learn. It is not to be on the eleven or the nine, to be the leader of the cotillion or the tenor of the glee club. No matter how beneficial the activity, or how harmless, the boy engages in, the end of his being in college will be defeated and the fraternity system will receive a set back if the standard of scholarship is not maintained. When one university after another takes action looking to restrictions on fraternities with a view of improving scholarship, when one institution after another finds it necessary to forbid freshmen being initiated or to live in the chapter houses, when such a condition obtains it is time for the fraternity to look the situation squarely in the face and meet the situation. The only thing that can be done is the right thing, to-wit: to make a rigid standard of scholarship and see to it that such a standard is maintained. The founders of the fraternity were honor men. They did not consider for an instant the possibility of failure in scholastic work. To do less than maintain a creditable standing in college is to shame those men to whom we owe so much and to be false to the ideals of the fraternity  
—Φ Δ Θ *Scroll.*

No fraternity can achieve much success nor bring its individual chapters to a high standard of excellence unless it firmly insists on business methods. Delta Tau Delta has much reason to congratulate herself on the excellent results she has secured by this insistence on a business-like and prompt performance of fraternity duties and

obligations. In her efforts to improve the scholarship of her active members she is not acting from an excess of paternalism, but with the highest conception of fraternalism; for she realizes how fundamentally necessary to her own welfare is attention to this detail, as well as how great a benefit she is conferring on the undergraduates themselves by this help. With some of the graduates of years back this insistence on good scholarship may have produced the false impression that the fraternity is evolving a tutorial guardian of its members, and that there will not be much left of real brotherhood. This is not at all true. We lay stress on scholarship because it is so fundamental as a requirement for a healthy chapter. We do not ask nor urge our men to become "digs" or "boners," but we do appreciate the fact that the primary reason for their attending college is to equip themselves for their future work through the knowledge and training offered by the college curriculum.—*Delta Tau Delta, Rainbow.*

Believing, as I do, that scholarship is the first essential of a college fraternity man, it is proper that my report should commence with a discussion of scholastic conditions in the district. We have been using every effort to make the active men realize that the college world judges them first of all by their scholastic standing. In fact, five of the schools in the district keep the relative scholastic standing of each of the local fraternities and publish the results at the close of each school period. In these statements our chapters have graced every place from top to bottom, although I am glad to report that our standing is usually above the average. In addition to this, with the assistance of Brother Ferguson, the district has published the relative standing of the chapters in the district. I have found that is an excellent stimulus and would recommend that it be adopted wherever practical. Three of our largest schools have already adopted scholastic standards, which must be reached by a candidate before he is initiated. This has raised the standard of scholarship among fraternity men to such an extent that I believe it will be only a short time until all of the schools of the district have made similar requirements. It is to be regretted that we did not adopt the scholarship requirement resolution at the New York

Conclave. On the vote on that resolution three chapters in my district voted in the negative. Since that Conclave either the faculties or the Panhellenic councils in each of these schools have established scholastic requirements for admission to fraternities. By our failure to adopt that resolution we lost an opportunity to lead in this matter in these schools. *R. Allan Stephens, D. G. M., District X.—KΣ Caduceus.*

There is a marked and growing tendency among college authorities to put more and more responsibility upon the fraternities in the matter of scholarship, and our chapters must meet the situation and live up to the conditions imposed, else go down and out. Only this June one prominent institution enacted a rule that a student must acquire twenty-four hours' credit towards graduation before he will be permitted to join a fraternity, while other institutions are rapidly falling into line with more or less drastic rules. It is a great pity that we were unable to secure favorable action by the fraternities upon the proposition to make the successful completion of one term's work a prerequisite to initiation, thereby forestalling the more burdensome conditions which are being imposed in various institutions, in some instances such as to threaten the very existence of the fraternities. It is strongly urged that all of our chapters adopt a system of supervision of underclassmen by upperclassmen, to the end that our full quota of members may be initiated and that every initiate may be fully developed and remain in college until graduation. *Herbert M. Martin, W. G. S.—KΣ Caduceus.*

We think we have touched some of the underlying causes of the decline in scholarship in fraternities and in the student body generally:

1. That the diversity of aims and number of distractions in college life are too great.
2. That the estimate put upon high scholarship, as compared with that on other things having less claim on college life, is too low.
3. That the temptation under the elective system, to choose the easiest course, is always a menace to high scholarship.

4. That even if in spite of all drawbacks it *is* attained, there is no public or private recognition or appreciation of it.

The fraternities, we think, share this culpability to the extent, first, that they do not in their own hearts place a high enough comparative estimate upon scholarship; second, that they do not demand it in their initiates or members, following its attainment or its neglect with perceptibly effective rewards or evidences of disapproval.—A Δ Φ *Adelphean*.

First and foremost is a stand for a high grade of scholarship. Very well, let me demonstrate a few things. Those of us who are a few years out recognize the falsity of that pleasantly soothing fable of student days, that a fellow gets as much out of managing teams and fraternity life and social functions as he does out of the curriculum. Who is the good citizen in the college? Primarily he who hears the call of the real things and responds to it. Second—He is a good citizen who sanely governs his social life—that fraternity is the home of good citizenship which does likewise.

Finally and most essential; good citizenship the world over is measured by strong character. Every thinking alumnus must feel that there is yearly a higher standard set by our best undergraduates. No one can be a pessimist when he sees strong, red-blooded student forces fighting the battles against intemperance, immorality, dishonesty, and graft. The future of our politics lies in the hands of these boys and in my judgment it will be safe if we who are a little older emphasize its importance to those who are now fighting their first battles.

Strong scholarship, a simple social life, universal sport, the struggle for great character—these are the elements of good citizenship in the college.—Φ Δ Θ *Scroll*.

## FOR OTHERS

(Extracts from convention report of Social service committee of Chi Omega)

The alumnae chapters presented the following record of uplift work: Christmas celebrations for poor children, Des Moines and

Lexington; aid to destitute family, Los Angeles; gifts to organized charities, Denver; equipment of maternity ward at Womans' hospital and penny lunches for poor school children, New Orleans; maintaining hospital room, Fayetteville; sewing for Orphans' home, Kansas City; securing bath facilities for mill workers and furnishing school books to poor school children, Atlanta; classes for mill children, Knoxville, for which work some special training will be taken next year; Childrens' hospital, Washington; gift of library to settlement school, Lexington; aid to University Registrar in securing work for girls who are meeting their own college expenses, Eugene; Portland, San Antonio, Seattle and Dallas, charity work. Lynchburg, New York, Oxford and Boston have not, as chapters, taken up definite lines of social and civic work, owing to the large number of members who individually enter into charitable work. Chicago alumnae continue the luncheons at Fields.

The active chapters report: assistance in Y. W. C. A. in public schools, Iota; readings to factory girls at noon hour, Upsilon Alpha; story hour for settlement children, Chi; active interest in the club for working girls and college girls organized by the college students, Lambda; working girls clubs, Psi; Bible classes at the Indian school and sending dolls to Mrs. Ballington Booth for children of prisoners, Delta; Y. W. C. A. girls' clubs, Eta; Christmas celebrations by all chapters as mentioned above. We wish we might set out in detail the good works which alumnae and active chapters are engaged in and give the valuable suggestions made by so many of the delegates. But this summing up, though brief, speaks clearly of modern service, and modern service is a magnificent interpretation of "Christian ideals."

In the president's formal report two recommendations were made for the consideration of the Convention: first, that the upperclass girls of each chapter be identified with some local civic or social service work; second, that each chapter offer, in its college, a prize for an essay on some phase of social service work or of Grecian influence.

The first was adopted as a part of the report of the committee on social and civic service. Three reasons lead to its adoption: first,

that the college should cease to be isolated from the community of which it is a part; second, that by becoming a part of the community life while in college, we are better fitted for the world life outside college; third, the advantages to be gained through meeting with experienced women.

The second suggestion was adopted in the form of the following motion: That Chi Omegas, in each college where the fraternity is represented offer annually for the next two years a prize of \$15 to the women of the college for the best essay, article or thesis on some subject relating to social service work.—X Ω Eleusis.

## REUNION

What kind of a reunion—family, college, or home-coming?

No, none of those, but a Kappa Alpha Theta reunion.

Of what Thetas?

Of all Thetas who have the convention habit, of all Thetas who want to get the convention habit, of all Thetas who can possibly get to convention.

Convention, did you say?

Yes, the twentieth biennial Grand convention of Kappa Alpha Theta.

Where, when?

Time, June 24-27, 1913. Place, The Cliff house, Lake Minnewaska, N. Y.

What's the Cliff house and where is Lake Minnewaska?

The Cliff house is a most comfortable hotel, and Lake Minnewaska is a most attractive place, so says Miss Dederer who has summered there.

Indeed, 'tis our plan to introduce you to their advantages, so that you and all the rest of your chapter and Theta friends will be eager to spend the last week of June together at this great fraternity reunion.

Though few maps chronicle the fact, Lake Minnewaska does exist. It is in the Shawangunk mountains, almost two thousand feet above the sea. Two routes lead there; from the south you arrive

after a six mile stage ride from Kerhonkson, and that town of hard sounds is on the New York, Ontario, and Western railway, 109 miles from New York city; from the north you arrive after a ninety minute stage ride from Kingston, which town is on the same railroad. While unknown to the atlas, Minnewaska is well known to the railroads, so tickets can be bought direct to the lake—stage and all included. So you see it isn't hard to reach.

And when you arrive what will you find?

Magnificent scenery; forests of "mountain pine and primeval hemlock; lakes, falls, and cascades of pure and sparkling water—secluded glens thick with ferns and strewn with mighty boulders—lofty cliffs and towering crags—strange crevices and fissures riven deep into the solemn hills—and held aloft on the very crest of this great eminence, as in a rock-bound chalice the rim of which rises above it from sixty to one hundred fifty feet, then tumbles precipitously on either side to the valleys far below, is Lake Minnewaska."

Is it all scenery?

By no means. There is the Cliff house, up above the lake, which for the week is to be a Kappa Alpha Theta club house.

A Theta club house, you say?

Yes, ours exclusively. The resort's regular season does not open until the following week, so the entire hotel—with its regular service—will be ours for the week. And here is another good point, the rates for room (any room in the hotel) and board will be but \$2 a day—the best rate we've had and due to our reservation of the whole hotel. You begin to wonder how many can room in the hotel—300 at least. If we come—and we hope we do—in greater numbers, the Wildmere (the only other building near the lake) is an eighth of a mile away and will care for the rest of us.

Scenery charming, hotel comfortable, is that the sum of attractions?

Oh no. There is bathing in the lake and boating upon it; there are tennis courts, bowling alleys, and shuffle board; there are innumerable walks and drives to attract the ambitious. These are what Minnewaska offers.

Kappa Alpha Theta will supplement these attractions by clever

entertainments arranged by certain chapters; by discussions of fraternity affairs (just enough business to give point to the pleasures); and by that best of all fraternity occasions, a week in the friendly companionship of congenial souls.

Do you think you can afford to miss this event? *We know you can't.* So decide *now* to be there—you've some seven months to complete your plans. Watch the JOURNAL for further details. It's ready to answer any and all your questions concerning this great reunion.

### GAMMA BETA DISTRICT CONVENTION

When the Alpha Xi girls who attended the National convention in California returned, they told us that it had been decided to hold District conventions every two years, to alternate with the National conventions. We all became intensely interested at the prospect of a District convention and began planning almost at once with our District president, Miss Josephine Meissner. After due consideration, it was decided that Gamma Beta district should hold its first convention at Alpha Lambda's home in Seattle, April 11-14, 1912. Each chapter elected one official delegate—Laurentine Meissner, Josephine's sister was Alpha Lambda's official representative, Anna-belle Robertson came from Montana to speak for Alpha Nu, and we of Alpha Xi sent Eleanor McClaine. Omega alumnae chose Ethel Clarke as delegate.

Convention dates fell during Oregon's Spring vacation, so we—Eleanor McClaine, Frances Adams, Maurine McAdam, and I—met in Portland on Thursday evening and boarded the "Owl" for Seattle. We were all so excited and thrilled that it was a long time before we could calm ourselves enough to even think of going to sleep, for this was our very first Theta convention of any kind. (And now that we know what conventions are like, we would be more thrilled than ever at the prospects of attending another!)

The next morning when we awakened, we were in Seattle, with a goodly portion of Alpha Lambda at the train to meet us. They had put their badges on their coats so we would be sure to know

them, and with Ethel there to introduce us all, we were the best of friends immediately.

In a few minutes we were on a car enroute to the Theta house, all very anxious to meet the rest of the girls and see this new chapter home.

After greetings had all been exchanged, we had breakfast and spent the morning on the Washington campus. First we went to the library to see Miss Meissner who was one of the librarians there. After a little visit with her, the girls took us through the other buildings.

In the afternoon initiation was held for Alpha Lambda's new pledge—Marie Cahill. It was a very impressive ceremony, conducted by representatives from five chapters—three active and two alumnae. After the initiation, a banquet was served by Omicron alumnae. Then the freshmen entertained us with a stunt-party which we enjoyed immensely.

Saturday morning was real convention time, for it was then that we all assembled in Alpha Lambda's spacious living room and held Gamma Beta's first District business meeting. This was of momentous interest, subjects of vital interest to all five chapters and to the fraternity as a whole, were discussed, including the stand we were to maintain in regard to installing a chapter at Pullman. After the meeting had adjourned, we sang Theta songs until luncheon was announced.

For the afternoon Alpha Lambda had planned a large tea to which she invited girls from all the different fraternities. And in the evening she gave her large formal dance at the president's residence on the campus. This was a big success, and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Sunday we spent quietly and together, with a supper in the evening at Miss Meissner's. Before train time, we all felt so well acquainted that it seemed like one big chapter instead of parts of five.

We delegates decided we had had the very best time imaginable during our first District convention, and vowed we would never miss one if the opportunity to go came to us.

*Lila Margaret Sengstake*

## A NEW THETA DEAN

Irene Blanchard—initiated into old Delta at Illinois Wesleyan university and affiliated with Eta at the University of Michigan, where she took her A. B. degree in 1898 and where she has been studying the past year—has been appointed acting Dean of women at Northwestern university. In this position Miss Blanchard follows Mary Ross Potter, also of old Delta, who has been granted a year's leave of absence which she will spend studying in Europe.

Eta's loss. It is always hard to come back to college and find part of the girls graduated or gone. This year the girls of Eta miss especially Irene Blanchard. Her thoughtfulness in all the little things, her attitude toward the younger girls, and her eagerness to help every one, are things we took carelessly, not valuing them until they were gone, as now. Irene's keen interest in progressive movements made conversation at the chapter house table worth while and kept us in touch with the world outside our college life. With our best wishes for a happy and successful year for her, goes a hearty wish that she were still among us talking of woman's suffrage and Jane Addams.—Isabelle Rizer, Eta.

## THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF COLLEGE WOMEN

EDITH D. COCKINS

On July 10th and 11th there was effected in Chicago an organization of college women that will doubtless be far reaching in its influence. This organization is to be known as the National Federation of college women. It is an organization formed upon broad inclusive lines, and makes a place for the non-graduate as well as the college woman who holds a degree. It is an organization of College women's clubs as well as College alumnae clubs.

The object of the organization is to bring together the college women of the country for mutual benefit and interchange of ideas, to secure unity of purpose as well as unity of action and thereby to

conserve the power of the college women of the nation towards rendering some effective service.

No provision has been made in this organization for the individual college woman. She must join this federation through a local group. This will mean the bringing together in each community the college women of that community, no matter how few in number. The strength of the organization will lie in the fact that its members are organized groups rather than individuals.

The organized college women of the country can be a tremendous power in any channel in which their interest may be directed. They are the favored daughters of the country and should be able to speak with intelligence on the problems of higher education for women. They realize and recognize the demand of the times and should take an active part in the discussion of all questions concerning the training of women, whether in classical, technical or vocational courses.

This movement was instigated by the College women's club of Columbus, Ohio. This club has a membership of 200, representing more than thirty colleges and universities. In March of this year, at the invitation of the Columbus college women, representatives of the leading College women's clubs of the state met to discuss the advisability of forming a National Association of college women. The call for the meeting in Chicago was the result of this meeting in Columbus.

The attendance at the Chicago meeting exceeded the expectations of those most interested in the project. The people who were present represented the far east and the far west, the eastern college for women and the large state university. There were present five officials of universities, four of them holding the position of Dean of women in their respective institutions. There were also faculty members and teachers in high schools.

The institutions represented were Wellesley, Vassar, Wells, Cornell, Oberlin, Michigan, Ohio State, Wisconsin, Illinois, Chicago, Miami, Washington State college, Iowa, Northwestern and Lake Erie. Many institutions that were not represented officially expressed their interest in the movement. Among such institutions

were California, Oregon; University of Washington, Dennison, Western Reserve, Ohio Wesleyan, Montana, North Dakota, Tufts, Oxford College for Women, and Boston university. Much interest has also been manifested on the part of the College women's clubs of the country. The time seems ripe for such an organization. The Honorable Philander P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of education, heartily endorses the movement, and foresees a great future for such an organization. He was present, with other leading educators, at a college women's dinner held in Chicago on the 10th of July, and spoke most enthusiastically of the movement.

The officers of the new organization are as follows: President, Mrs. William Oxley Thompson, Wells college; Vice-President, Mrs. Willard Beahan, Cornell; Secretary-treasurer, Miss Ida McKean, Vassar; Bursar, Miss Anna Petersen, Chicago; Board of Directors: Mrs. Philander P. Claxton, Randolph-Macon; Dr. Jane Sherzer, Michigan, and President of Oxford College for Women; Edith D. Cockins, Ohio State, Registrar of Ohio State university; Mrs. Gertrude S. Martin, Michigan and Cornell, Adviser of women at Cornell; Harriett E. McKinstry, Michigan, Professor of Latin, Lake Erie College.—From the *Journal of Education*.

### A HOUSE-PARTY

After a strenuous seven month rushing season, a Carnival in which we gave ten performances and a float for the parade, an elaborate formal May party, and a busy commencement week (to say nothing of examinations) Alpha Pi girls were almost on the verge of breakdown and were only too glad when the twelfth of June arrived and we set off for our long planned house-party at Maple Lake. Selma Hassell was our hostess and as there were twenty of us we occupied the large Hassell cottage and two nearby.

Middies, short skirts and raincoats comprised our wardrobes. Three girls assisted Mrs. Hassell in the preparation of each meal. Aside from these two regulations each one was free to do as she wished.

Those five days did more for Alpha Pi in strengthening our chap-

ter and bringing the girls together than any year could have done. Although it rained the dreariest, dampest rain possible every minute it swelled our good dispositions and shrunk all our tired and irritated feelings into thin air.

Some spent the days in long tramps through the woods, others in raincoats and rubber caps cut the waves for hours. Still others read, sewed or enjoyed long confidential talks curled up in cosy corners. Of course everyone had a kodak and everyone and everything was snapped in every conceivable position.

The evenings were spent together. A small hall called Calumet but which we promptly christened Bake an' Power, a tuneless piano and one dim lantern furnished an ideal dancing pavilion where we spent many happy hours. After these proms we would splash back through the mud to the cottage and have a real Theta songfest and talk.

One evening we gave to a simple little memorial service for the loss of one of our dearest Alpha Delta girls.

The five days passed all too quickly but they were days that will never be forgotten. The twenty girls are scattered now. A few are back together at college but more are in widely different parts of the country. Each one carries with her the memories of that wonderful house-party when we lived over again the joys and sorrows of our year and in so doing bound ourselves more firmly to Theta and one another.

Vera Kelsey

## RUSHING AND ITS COROLLARIES

At this season we are all in the mood to appreciate the following definition of rushing. It is from *The Greek double cross*, a story by George Fitch, whose wife, Clara Lynn Fitch, is one of Kappa Alpha Theta's most loyal and enthusiastic alumnae.

"Rushing? What is rushing? Oh, yes, I forgot that you never participated in that delicious form of insanity known as a fall term in college. Rushing is a cross between proposing to a girl and abducting a coyote. Rushing a man for a frat. is trying to make him believe that to belong to it is a joy and inspiration, and to belong to any other means misery and an early tomb; that all the best men in college either belong to our frat. or couldn't

get in; that you're the best fellows on earth, and that you're crazy to have him, and that he is a coming Senator; that you can't live without him; that the other gang can't appreciate him; that you never ask men twice; that you don't care much for him anyway, and that you are just as likely as not to withdraw the spike any minute if you should happen to get tired of the cut of his trousers; that your crowd can make him class president and the other crowd can make him a fine mausoleum; that you love him like real brothers and that he has already bound himself in honor to pledge—and that if he doesn't he will regret it all his life; and, besides, you will punch his head if he doesn't put on the colors. That's rushing for you."

### Here is a course in diplomacy!

The art of rushing should be studied so as to make the arguments presented most convincing and effective. Rushing is a great school of diplomacy, and teaches one methods that will be useful in business or in the professions when the real work of life has begun, and, therefore, the cultivation of rushing is well worth the attention of any college man. All active members should endeavor to learn the art, but they should call on alumni for assistance whenever it is necessary. Resident alumni can be of great assistance, and younger alumni living at a distance can be of no greater service to their chapters than by spending a few days with the chapters at the beginning of the year and giving counsel and active aid in rushing. To all alumni who read this editorial we make this appeal: If you are acquainted with young men who are entering college this fall, colleges where Phi Delta Theta has chapters, and who you believe would make the right sort of members, send immediately full particulars about them to the chapters.—Φ Δ Θ *Scroll*.

### Varied and abundant good advice.

No matter what the rules may be, a certain sort of rushing is always active. No matter if they know that a fraternity bid will not be extended to them for four months of a year, the freshmen will be all the time observing and studying the different fraternities; and their preference will have been reached a long time before the formal bidding. Our chapters should appreciate this fact and while they are taking their time to size up the new material they must realize that they are also being scrutinized. Under these conditions any lack of harmony in the chapter's life that might be hidden during a short, strenuous rushing season will be discovered.

In fact, whether pledging is postponed or not, a chapter can adopt no wiser policy than to live always and at all times its natural, every-day life. The man it bids will have to live in that chapter for four years in the closest of relations with its members. If he has selected the chapter with a full knowledge of the real type of its personnel, its atmosphere and style of daily

life, he is pretty certain to fit in and to find his chapter life happy and congenial. Chapter misfits result far more often from a lack of thorough understanding of each other by both parties to the contract than from precipitancy.

In selecting their fraternity few freshmen pay much attention to the national standing. The personnel and character of the particular chapter of which they are to be a part for four years is of much more importance to them. To a freshman four years seems an endless stretch of time ahead and he is inclined to pay little attention to what is really the most important part of his fraternity life—the alumni years with their rich privileges of service, fraternal associations and mutual brotherly help and encouragement. He is thinking in the present and if he likes a crowd of fellows personally and finds their house life homelike and congenial he seldom looks further. In many cases a man has joined a fraternity almost solely on account of a strong liking for one of its members. It is a wise rushing principle to watch for these attractions and entrust a large part of the care of a desirable freshman to the man, or men, in the chapter for whom he shows an instinctive liking.

. . . By over-done efforts at entertaining, a freshman was given a false and exaggerated idea of his own importance, and his head was often so turned that he was never of any value afterwards to the fraternity he did finally condescend to join. . . . No worthy new man was ever secured by placing him under obligations for lavish entertaining. The right-thinking freshman would be embarrassed and rendered uncomfortable by such attentions that he could not return. . . . Joining a fraternity is a business proposition. It is a contract for mutual advantages between the fraternity and the new man.

The true aim of rushing entertainment is not to out-shine a rival with its costliness or to place the recipient under obligations. Its legitimate purposes are to enable a chapter to study a new man in an intimate manner so that intelligent and safe action may be taken in regard to bidding him and to afford him an opportunity to become acquainted with the members, to size up the ideals and principles of the chapter as exemplified in its daily life and to come to know the character of the chapter's home life. The freshman may not sit down and calmly reason out that these are the considerations on which he makes his selection of a fraternity; but, consciously or unconsciously, these are in the final analysis the great determining factors.

We have sometimes feared that we can detect a successor to the old-time extravagance and rivalry in rushing entertainment in the unnecessary cost-lines of recent fraternity houses. . . . Such houses are of no benefit to the chapter. Their proper maintenance is a perpetual burden saddled on future generations, even when the original cost has not crushed a chapter with a heavy load of debt. A chapter receives no credit for the amount of money its house cost—but for how much of that cost it has paid in cash...

A good, adequate, comfortable house is a help to a chapter in its rushing. But a pretentious palace is often a distinct drawback. In making his selection the right sort of a freshman will never allow the house to outweigh the more important considerations we have already mentioned. In many instances the heavy expenses entailed by a too pretentious house have kept out a thoroughly desirable man. . . . As our president has often said, the true purpose of a chapter house is to provide a chapter *home* and to make possible for all our active members the enjoyment of a real home life. No matter how handsome a chapter house may have been originally, its charm can not survive dirt, littered rooms, shabby furniture and soiled table linen; nor is a freshman ever estranged by an observance of decent table manners and conversation suitable for a home circle of refinement. . . .

The very best and most effective sort of rushing work can be carried on all the time. It is for a chapter to create and maintain every day a home life in its chapter house that will appeal to all who come within its influence, and for every member to so exemplify in his daily life the ideals and the teachings of Delta Tau Delta that men of like principles and tastes will be irresistably attracted to such fellowship. In this latter phase the alumni count for a great deal. Many a freshman enters college with a strong preference for some particular fraternity on account of strong alumni of that fraternity he has known in his home town or during his prep. school days.—  
Extracts from Editorial.—*Δ T Δ Rainbow.*

#### A universal superstition.

Why is it that we all look upon the "lost bid" as such a skeleton in the fraternity closet, a thing to be hidden? We extend an invitation of membership only to those whom we think are worthy of the honor and whom we desire as sisters in the bond. If for any reason the girl whom we have invited finds that the members of another fraternity are more congenial, or that she cannot join any society, have we lowered our standards or ideals any because we have desired a girl who was worthy in every way?

It would indeed be foolish to proclaim our loss to the multitude and yet this wrong attitude toward the "lost bid" will harm any fraternity. We are too often inclined to take this aspect in making our final decision. If there exists a chapter of any fraternity that has never lost a bid it is in such an inactive and sluggish condition that it will die in the end. Wholesome competition is good for all of us; there is no gain where there has been no risk.—*A X Ω Lyre.*

#### Our individual responsibility.

Soon rivalry will be rife between contemporary sororities, and enthusiasm for new members will run high; it is well for you to stop and consider, active

girls, the enormous responsibility resting upon your shoulders—or rather up-on your vote. One thing never should be done under any circumstances: that of forcing a vote, or, in other words, forcing a girl into a chapter.

First, it is wrong to the girl in question, because no girl should ever be admitted till she can be received with unanimous love and enthusiasm, with a hearty welcome from each and every member—else what is the value of the unanimous vote?

Second, such an action shows lack of unity in the chapter, for no girl should want one of her sisters in the chapter to vote against her will,—and no girl should be so weak-willed as to do so. Each girl should have the courage of her convictions—although she should be sure first that her convictions are right. If the matter be one of *personal* prejudice, then an earnest effort should be made to overcome it, but until it can honestly be done, then the prospective candidate against whom it is directed, has no place within the bonds.

Third, a girl in a chapter is a girl in Sigma Kappa. If she is undesirable to the chapter she is also undesirable to the sorority at large. If a chapter thinks that, by ridding itself of an undesirable member, that is all there is to be considered, remember that the girl still wears the pin, still may seek admission to our meetings, still has a right to demand our interest and support—for have we not sworn allegiance to her as much as to any other? Once a Sigma, always a Sigma.

Therefore it behooves each one of us to consider carefully and thoughtfully before casting a vote. The future, not only of one chapter, but of Sigma Kappa lies in the hands of you who hold the ballot.—Σ K Triangle.

## DELTA GAMMA DISTRICT'S CONVENTION HOUSE-PARTY

Delta Gamma district held its first convention in Galveston during the week beginning June 22, 1912. There were seventeen Thetas present including the delegates, Ida Agnes Pyle from Alpha Omicron and Blake Gibbs from Alpha Theta, and our two visitors, Katherine Bigelow of Eta and Anne Fisher of Alpha Iota.

Two business meetings were held. At the first matters of local interest were discussed. At the second national fraternity affairs were the subjects in discussion. Alpha Theta and Alpha Omicron were very much interested in the talks given by the visitors, each of whom told of the customs of her chapter.

But business was only one phase of the convention. The girls

will always remember the good times and the merry-making in between. In the first place the convention had a house all to itself. Of course that meant that one evening must be devoted to open house, accordingly on Sunday the Galveston Thetas introduced the young men to their visitors. The very name Galveston brings to one's mind boat rides and surf-bathing. On Monday evening the girls enjoyed a swim in the gulf followed by a picnic supper on the rocks. On Tuesday morning the house-party received informally from ten-thirty until twelve. Here they were given an opportunity to meet all the other fraternity women—in fact all the college women in the city. That evening a moon-light sail on the bay was the event. Thursday the convention took the Interurban for Dickinson and lunched at the Country club and Friday an all day fishing trip was a novelty to many.

But perhaps the best of all was the banquet at the Hotel Galvez followed by a dance at the Garten Verein club. There Theta spirit ran high, and in the toasts, witty and clever, no better fun could be found. Our toastmistress, Hallett McPhail, introduced the following speakers:

Delta Gamma—Ethel Sykes.

Pots and Pans—Elaine Lewis.

Texas Jungles—Katherine Bigelow.

Kidnapping in Oklahoma—Ida Agnes Pyle.

Niff-naughs—Anne Fisher.

Our President—Christine Schott.

Delta Gamma hopes to hold its next convention in Marshall, Texas, June 1914, and trusts she may welcome many visitors.

ALICE OTIS BIRD, Alpha Theta.

## HOW TO DO IT

In our perusal of the magazines of other fraternities, we become familiar with many clever plans and efficient methods for perfecting fraternity life. It is our custom to clip or make notes of these and, while some of them may be the custom with some of our chapters too, it seems fitting in this Panhellenic number to pass on

to our chapters as a whole some items from the Grand secretary's "Ideas file."

We regret that the form of our notes and files makes it impossible, in many cases, to give proper credit to the fraternity whose customs are here recorded. We take this opportunity to express our indebtedness to every one of our exchanges, each of which has contributed something to this useful file. We trust they will pardon our failure to give individual credit for every item.

Chapters of Kappa Alpha Theta, here is hoping this news of your neighbors' activities may inspire and enthuse some of your year's activities!

To have a successful reunion, set the date long ahead, at once publish the date (some chapters decide these points six months before the reunion). Then have an alumnae committee to cooperate with the committee from the active chapter in getting a crowd at the reunion.

The sophomores of the chapter entertained the sophomores of all the other fraternities. Guests were invited to bring their fraternity song books, and all joined in singing each other's songs.

April 11 was set apart as Mother's Day. We had a tea so that our Mothers, aunts, and sisters could become acquainted.

We gave a play for the benefit of the Visiting nurses association.

Friday evening the alumnae and actives held a Convention rally and spread. Great tales were told by old conventionites and we succeeded in making everyone crazy to go.

An interesting part of the banquet program was the presentation of the loving cup to the new girl who had become the best Chi Omega. In this, scholarship, college activities, and fraternity activities were counted equally in deciding who should claim the cup.

We suggest that the rushing committee be a permanent committee and always keep a lookout for desirable members. A college course is worthless unless it develops students, and students are developing every year. Our chapters should keep on the lookout for these

students who may not appear promising at first view, yet under the influence of the college later develop into material which is of the highest fraternity type.

Since we cannot initiate until second semester we have planned for pledge meetings, held every week. A member of the chapter is appointed each week to talk to the pledges at this meeting. The meetings will continue for a month after initiation, too, for instruction concerning the secret work.

Check up at the end of the year in addition to good scholarship, one special honor to the credit of each member. Do you think this is asking too much?

The new ruling that the pledges be examined on songs before initiation is a long step in the right direction—in the direction toward enthusiasm and fraternity spirit.

During spring term the seniors are the guests of the rest of the chapter after every fraternity meeting, the other classes taking turns as entertainers.

A review of the year's activities is sent every alumna of the chapter, and enclosed is a rushing blank asking for information of prospective freshmen.

The chapter has a bound calendar, one leaf for each day of the year. Under each day are the names and addresses of those members whose birthday it is. Where a member is in the active chapter, the chapter has some form of a celebration on her birthday. Where member is an alumna, a picture postal of college or chapter is sent by the chapter to the alumna whose birthday the day is.

Alumnae chapter. We hope at last we have found a charity not too ambitious nor difficult. We are to bring some of the joyous side of life to some tiny tots in an orphan asylum. Our first gift will be a sandpile.

Alumnae chapters will find it profitable to debate the question, "What dividend has your college training paid to the community?"

Alumnae chapter. We have established a scholarship fund to be given alternately to the two nearby college chapters for the assistance of some member whose college life might thereby be rendered less precarious.

Alumnae chapter. In the social service line we have done various things, such as giving groups of dependent children picnics and small pleasures. This year we have undertaken a more definite work of making it possible for a young girl to remain some months in a sanitarium where she is not only gaining strength but is also being taught the trade of pottery which will help her to support herself later.

A Chapter Hall of Fame, adorned with the framed portraits of honored chapter members, would be an inspiring thing to have.

You undergraduate sisters, start your new college year with the underlying principle of being *good campus citizens*. This is a just obligation owing to your alma mater, and the better you perform the duty, so much more do you reflect glory on your chapter and fraternity, and enhance your value as a fraternity girl.

Each member of the chapter is assessed a small sum monthly throughout the year, the money thus secured being used to defray the convention expenses of one or more freshmen who shall have attained the highest scholarship, shown the greatest interest in college affairs, and done the most efficient work for the chapter.

The chapter issues a very attractive Christmas card bearing the fraternity coat-of-arms and the chapter name, with holiday greetings. Another chapter issues similar cards at Easter.

A mock initiation is performed after each election of new officers, in order to thoroughly familiarize them with the ritual.

Every other Saturday night the members take turns at entertaining the rest of the chapter.

We have two summer round robins for the whole chapter; one started by the seniors and the other by the freshmen.

Two round robins each year to the alumnae have done much to make our chapter a united whole.

The chapter, each year, gives a picnic for the senior women of the university.

*Keep busy.* The chapters of the fraternity would accomplish more if their members had a clear understanding of what there is for them to do. When one considers the many details of chapter life it is remarkable so little initiative is shown. For instance, how many of your alumni subscribe to *The Record*? Has the chapter a library? Are the files of the fraternity magazines bound and properly cared for? Do you need furniture and chapter equipment? Have you a chronicler who is keeping up his work? Is your chapter in debt? Is the steward making money for the chapter? Are the members of the chapter doing their duty to the college? Is their scholastic standing creditable to the fraternity? And have you a chapter house? The foregoing is a small list of possible activities. Every chapter can find something to do. Why not adopt 'Keep Busy' as the chapter slogan?—Σ A E Record.

It should be the aim of every college girl to know as many of her class-mates as possible who have come from different localities, who have had an environment completely foreign to her own, and whose ideas are probably in no way coincident with hers. In this way she learns many of the things she came to college for, since as it has been said, "the aim of a good education is to make a reasonable person."

A rule is now in effect in our chapter and will hold until after the first term examinations, by which no man who is reported as below grade in any of his subjects shall leave the house after nine o'clock on week evenings.

The chapter has set aside Thursday of each week when men of the different fraternities and prominent non-fraternity men may be invited to lunch.

Before closing we must notice the Phi reunion. Over fifty interesting pictures, recalling former days at Knox were thrown upon the

screen. Many interesting stories were told by the old Phis, numbering about forty, who attended the reunion. After the pictures, refreshments were served in the chemistry laboratory. The entire active chapter was present and made the most of the opportunity which was offered of getting better acquainted with the chapter's alumni.

A new plan was instituted this spring in the house by holding a regular alumni meeting. The chair was turned over to an alumnus, and the exercises were conducted by him as they were in the days when he was himself a college student. The evening was enjoyed by everyone, and the idea was made part of the year's programme.

*Training Pledges.* This year we were so fortunate as to have a nearly equal number of pledges and sorority girls, and our first step in the process was to organize the former by allowing them to elect a president, secretary, treasurer, and "frat counselor." Through the latter passed all our formal communications to them, occasionally she was allowed to present at fraternity meeting some message or request from the pledges. They held weekly meetings at which none of the active chapter were present; here they learned those songs we prescribed, and followed an outlined course of study including the names of the Grand officers, list of chapters, etc. They were also instructed to arrange a schedule by which each pledge might select one sorority girl to be her particular friend and monitor, no two pledges choosing the same person. This gave each of the active chapter one special ward for whom she planned; whose faults she attempted tactfully to amend, and whom she could help in a thousand ways in the more confidential intimacy they enjoyed. About a week before initiation, we assembled in solemn conclave to conduct an examination of the prospective initiates. Each girl withdrew to a quiet corner with her charge and proceeded to inquire into her knowledge of the Greek alphabet, the chapter homes, the founders of the local chapter, and other general facts.—*Alpha Xi Delta.*

One tradition which Lambda has established is that the office of treasurer should be filled each year by a member of the junior class. This seems to us necessary because, on the one hand, we think that

no one but an upperclassman can have sufficient chapter experience for such an important office, yet on the other hand, it should not be a senior, since the retiring treasurer of one year should be present in the fraternity to help and advise the new officer for another year.

At the beginning of every year the new treasurer, aided by the one just retiring, should make out a budget for the year. This should include all the running expenses of the chapter plus fraternity taxes, with a sufficient margin for additional expenses. Having made this estimate of the probable expenditure for the year, she should plan to make the receipts equal this amount. This is a more difficult and uncertain undertaking. Members on whom she has been counting, often fail to return in the fall. Sometimes others are forced to leave the chapter house in the middle of the year because of ill health. It can easily be seen that when the chapter is just paying expenses with a certain number of girls in the house, the loss of one or two is disastrous. Yet ways of meeting these difficulties can usually be found if thought and time are spent in solving them. Often running expenses can be cut more than is at first believed possible; and again freshmen can often be found to take the places of those who have left. The treasurer above all else should be clear headed, quick to grasp essentials, and not easily frightened.—A X Ω  
*Lyre.*

### THE NEW SONG BOOK

So popular was the 1908 song book that early in 1912 the edition was exhausted. Repeated calls for song books made a reprint imperative; accordingly such a reprint was issued in May 1912.

The work of revising and seeing through the press, indeed the entire undertaking of the reprint, was done as a labor of fraternity loyalty and love by Mrs. C. B. Whittier.

Mrs. Whittier, as Winifred Caldwell, was one of the first group of initiates received by Phi chapter after it was transferred to Stanford university. Winifred was for four years an enthusiastic, efficient, working member of Phi and the chapter's delegate to the Syracuse convention. She received her A. B. degree in mathematics from Stanford university with the "Pioneer" class of 1895.

In 1897 she returned to Stanford as Mrs. Whittier, wife of C. B. Whittier, instructor in law. At once Mrs. Whittier became one of the active chapter's most interested, and helpful resident alumnae—her time, her music, and her brilliant mind, being always at Phi's service. This delightful relationship was only broken when Mr. Whittier accepted a professorship in law at the University of Chicago.

Since their residence in Chicago, Mrs. Whittier has been actively identified with Delta alumnae chapter. She was one of the committee of Delta alumnae, which, under the able chairmanship of Irene Parkes Matzinger, edited the 1908 song book. She also served as an active committee worker for two Chicago conventions, namely the Grand conventions of 1907 and 1909.

Mrs. Whittier's interest in the fraternity's music is perpetual, for she is now serving as distributing agent for the reprint of the song book, which she saw through the press.

This new song book adds to our music three songs: the beautiful *Banquet processional* written by Winifred Webb, Phi '97, for the California convention; "Ring out three cheers for Theta" and "Again, again, in a Theta chain".

## ALPHA OF GENEVA

I think every girl in Kappa Alpha Theta knows, at least by hearsay, of the annual Young Woman's Christian association conventions. The particular convention of which I am writing is the one that was held this year by the Central conference, at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Six hundred girls attended, and twenty-one of those six hundred wore the kite. I'm afraid I should not be able to conceal a self-satisfied smirk were I to tell you that these same twenty-one girls represented twelve chapters; four secretaries, and the records only (which I have lost) could tell how many association presidents and cabinet members. Tau led with five girls, six counting Mildred Jones, who is now secretary at Indiana state university. The five were Helen Crawley, Helen Ryan, Marian Jennings, Rachel Jones, and Margaret Wilcox: Alpha Rho followed with three, Florence Chaney, Florence Gray, and Bernice Swesey:

while Upsilon and Beta tied for third, each with two delegates; Upsilon, Muriel Thayer and Ruth Martin, and Beta, Mary Snodgrass and Ardyse Chenoweth. For the rest there was Mary Bragg, Gamma; Louise Barr, Rho; Agnes Hall, Psi; Ruth Landrum, Alpha; Cornelius Mather, Delta; Grace Nash, Alpha Theta; Agnes Scott, Epsilon; and Lucy Riggs, Kappa.

The afternoon of the sixth day that we were there (we couldn't reckon time any more definitely than that) we held—out on the old pier, the one with ten posts and a wooden bench—a solemn rite installing the Alpha chapter of Geneva Thetas. In a circle, with our arms around each other, we sang the *Toast*, and then prayed fervently for the sun to come out that we might get some good pictures of ourselves to send to the JOURNAL.

Girls, I wonder if as chapters and as individuals we realize how splendid these conventions are. One can't be told—she simply has to go and find out for herself. This year Tau was enthusiastic and brave enough to help defray the expenses of a delegate; and then four other girls went along to take care of her. So here is hoping that many of us, whether sent as delegates by our chapter or by our own inclinations, may be able to go next year, and while there, give one afternoon (say the afternoon of the sixth day) to the installation of a "Beta chapter of Geneva."

MARGARET DANA WILCOX, *Tau*

### ELIZABETH WESTON

We feel that every Theta will sympathize with us in the loss of Elizabeth Weston who was drowned July 8 while bathing with a party of friends in the Blue River near Beatrice, Nebraska. During the two years she was with us, we had grown to love her for her unselfish and lovable nature. Lib always had the interests of the girls at heart and was untiring in her efforts to serve the fraternity. Her death came as a great shock to her many friends and especially to us who have lived in such close companionship with her. Thoughts of her will always be, as in the past, an inspiration to us to maintain the highest and best. We all extend our heart-felt sympathy to her bereaved family.—*Rho*.



ALPHA OF GENEVA



ELIZABETH WESTON

Many Thetas, aside from Rho members, will miss Elizabeth Weston's friendship, as her interchapter acquaintance was large. She was a member of the Special train party to the California convention and of the post-convention Catalina house-party. All who met her on these occasions were instantly won by her charm, joyfulness, and thoughtful unselfishness. She also assisted in the installation of Alpha Rho, where her helpfulness, efficiency, and genius for friendship were invaluable.—P. G.

"Think of him still as the same, I say:  
He is not dead—he is just away!"

## OFFICERS' CORNER

### *Gift Book*

**A** FRATERNITY chapter with its ever changing personnel, is apt to be short of memory. Would not a "Gift Book" in which are entered memoranda of all gifts made to the chapter, with the date, and donor's name and class, lend interest to many articles in daily use, whose origin is now forgotten? Perhaps too such a "Gift Book" might keep the chapters a little more appreciative of by-gone favors, and at the same time be an inspiration to active members to go and do likewise when they are able.

### *Chapter Officers*

**D**O our chapters choose their officers by the standard of efficiency or of popularity? Should the girl we love best be elected to an office regardless of her qualifications? Many an attractive and adored sister has never had the responsibility of her own wardrobe, so why should a chapter give her the care of the finances, when by poor management she may place the chapter in an embarrassing position in the community? To the Greek world, our chapters are judged by the corresponding editor; to the fraternity, they are judged by the corresponding secretary. Smooth management and business-like meetings depend largely on the president, while several of our chapters have added the duty of chairman of the scholarship committee and of the rush committee to the office of vice-president. If each chapter would consider the reflection cast upon it by its officers would there not be more judicious elections?

*Ida A. Overstreet.*

## EXCHANGES

Bits of wisdom, information and advice, culled from the interesting pages of our friends and rivals.

Looking back upon college life, the thing which impresses me most is the appalling waste of energy and time which characterizes the student life. The opportunities for service to the college and fraternity are legion, yet we pass them by with hardly a thought.

"We may think ourselves busy; real effort shows our capacity for work to be indefinitely greater. And the opportunities for service never fail in the presence of the willingness to work. The splendid opportunities of college life are clear; its vast wastes are just as certain. After all, we're Dartmouth men, not by enrolment, but by works. If we cannot, by service to the college, show title to membership in the great body of true Dartmouth men, then is our college experience a condemning sentence, not a commanding judgment. Then why not resolve that the future shall see the wastes cut low and the opportunities for services to both college and fraternity more faithfully accepted."—*Θ Δ X Shield*.

Among other gifts, the American college fraternity may justly be expected to bestow upon its members devoted friendship, the ability to live successfully with other men, and such habits of application, industry, and sobriety as develop ideas and character.—From *Century Magazine*.

The only good reason which can be given for a fraternity, or any like organization for that matter, is the welfare of its members. If, as an organization, you fail to increase the happiness, usefulness and value of your members, you have failed as a fraternity. It is just as well to be plain about this, because if you fail here, you are gone. Not only is this true, but it is relatively true. That is to say, the fraternity that does most to enrich the lives of its members best justifies its existence and will be strongest and best.

Here are some things to remember:

1. Look after the studiousness of your members. You are here to train your minds.
2. Look after the physical training of your members. You need strong bodies.
3. Look after the morals of your members. You wish to associate with gentlemen.—*Δ T Δ Rainbow*.

There is still the other side—the "happinesses," as Maeterlinck no doubt would call the college attainments—to be considered. There is the "happiness" of the self-assurance of refinement and culture; the "happiness" of warm friendships that brighten life's path and sustain one; the "happiness" of positive knowledge; the "happiness" of learning, and of pursuing work

for the pleasure that it gives; the "happiness" of having a trained, well-ordered, and well-stored mind; and then that supreme "happiness," the manly spirit which makes a man a companion of men.

These happinesses, perhaps, are the truer dividends of a collegiate education. Some never gain them, of course, and some men who have never been even to the preparatory schools have them in abundance. It is probable, however, that opportunity and environment make the chances of the college man attaining them more promising.—*Indianapolis News*.

I suspect that one difference between a club and a fraternity is that a club calls for no high endeavor, asks nothing, does not inspire; a fraternity, from one's undergraduate days on, calls one out of contented comfort, makes demands upon a man, requires that he give and give up for others, makes him live for his friends.

Sometimes a young fellow joins this or that fraternity because he thinks it will pay; because it will bring him into acquaintance with influential men. He is often disappointed; if the fraternity is large enough to count for much, he finds, that, after all, he is one of so many promising young men. I am not sure but he ought to be disappointed. If he seeks acquaintances for what he can get from them, he is joining a club. A fraternity has a different aim; its relationship has a different motive. To be, to do, to give, to help one's friends; to live, for part of our lives, for something outside our little narrow, petty, sordid selves—this is the aim and end of the fraternity relationship.

And so, in nearly all the American colleges, this fine relationship exists. It is not merely a bond of pleasure that unites the members of a fraternity chapter, it is a bond of duties. The upperclassmen, to guide and direct the underclassmen; the undergraduates to welcome heartily the returning alumnus; the graduates, to advise, assist and sustain the undergraduate chapter; and all to do their part in aiding and promoting the wider activities of the fraternity at large. A fellowship of duty; and joy in the duty. This is the symbolism of which the preacher speaks. Shall we deny that symbolism?—we?

Not for us, then, that spirit which seeks to find in a fraternity chapter simply the pleasures of acquaintance and the comforts of a club. Not for us that spirit which turns "love" into "liking", "friendship" into "acquaintance", "brotherhood" into an empty name! For us, unselfish friendship—unselfish friendship, a part of that diviner symbolism which lights us through the darkness and guides us forth unto the perfect day.—*Θ Δ X Shield*.

Should a girl's force in college be measured by her "ultra-curricular" activities; by the number of offices she holds in class or society; by her abilities in debate; by her literary attainments; by the number of organizations of which she is a member, or the number of committees upon which she is asked to serve?

There is an all-round popular girl, popular because of her undoubted capability, and her willingness to lend her powers, intellectual and social, to any worthy cause. She is admired, and she is admirable. But I know another type of girl. She is not brilliant; she is neither a fluent speaker nor a quick thinker, and she is seldom if ever heard from in the college public. In other words, she is not "in things".

But if you observe closely, there is one notable feature about this girl. She is at her classes regularly and promptly. She rarely or never fails to recite, and her recitations, though marked by little rhetorical flourish, are consistent and to the point. She gives one a comfortable feeling that she knows what she wants to say and she says it. She is steady and regular in all her habits, and she is laying an enviable foundation for a solid future.

Observe her more closely. Talk with her, and she has a surprising depth of thought that shows careful study and excellent discrimination. She is above all things, appreciative and sincerely sympathetic. She has time for books and for friends, and you trust her instinctively. You catch glimpses of a soul life that makes you wonder at its beauty, while you are conscious of a growing envy of those fortunate enough to know her well. Is there something wrong with the standards of a college public which lauds the one and neglects or fails to recognize the real worth of the other girl? Think less of the girl who is on every one's tongue, who does not know when she is undertaking too much, who is subjecting her nerves to an unnecessary strain by too numerous responsibilities, and who is failing to cultivate that part of her nature which makes most for lovely womanhood; and estimate at her true value that other girl who is not "in things", but who, for her steadfastness, her regularity, her depth of soul, is highly worthy of praise and emulation.—A X Ω *Lyre*.

To see beauty even in the common things of life; to shed the light of love and friendship around me; to keep my life in harmony with the great world so that I shall produce no discords in the music of life; to strike on the lyre of the universe only the notes of happiness, of joy, of peace; to remember that it takes both clouds and sunshine to round out the day, and both sorrow and pleasure to round out a life; to appreciate every little service rendered; to see and appreciate whatever is noble and loving in another, be her badge what it may; and finally to let my lyre send forth the chords of love, unselfishness and sincerity. This is to be my symphony.—A X Ω *Lyre*.

For the Bond that brightens Happiness; that lightens the Shadows of Grief; that is sweeter than Fame; stronger than Time, Defeat or Error; broader than the Measure of all Groups; deeper than Love of Friend for Friend; more inspiring than the precepts of the Seer—for Fraternity, our gladsome Hearts give Thanks.—A X Ω *Lyre*.

The pins of the fraternities are an interesting study. The official badge of Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Delta Theta, and Delta Tau Delta bear the Masonic eye as an emblem. Some ten or twelve pins have one or more stars. The significance of the star varies with the number of stars, their position, etc. The diamond shaped pin and the cross shaped pin are most common. Several fraternities have monogram pins. The shield is also seen. Delta Delta Delta, Alpha Delta Phi (f), and Kappa Sigma have the crescent.

The average number of founders of a fraternity is six. Kappa Sigma was founded by 2 men, while Delta Kappa Epsilon had 15. It seems that the number of founders is immaterial, the work done afterwards being all that counts.

It is interesting to note the popularity of blue as a fraternity color. (The following per centages were made from 37 societies). 17 out of these 37 have blue as one of their colors. The actual percentages are as follows:

blue 26%	white 18%	purple 7%
gold 16%	red 16%	brown 5%
	black 5%	

and the rest is taken up in silver, pink, and gray.

Out of 22 societies the rose seems to be the most popular. Second is the carnation, and third, the lily-of-the-valley.—A ΔΦ *Adelphcean*.

At each weekly meeting of The Junto, Benjamin Franklin's club of printers, there was a series of questions asked and discussed. These queries, it is said, mirrored the life and habit of thought of Franklin. They were interesting questions, and illuminating, to say the least, of the part which that club played in the development, the betterment, and the creation of the spirit, of the city of Philadelphia.

One query was, "Do you know of a fellowman who has lately done a worthy action deserving praise and imitation?" This simple little query asked weekly and followed up, must, it seems, have lightened and sweetened considerably the atmosphere of a city where there is so apt to be a lack of appreciation of the ordinary greatness of private citizens.—A XΩ *Lyre*.

## INITIATES AND PLEDGES

- Alpha: Dorothy Arnold, Greencastle, Ind.  
Ruth Colliver, Terre Haute, Ind.  
Irene Hammond, Greencastle, Ind.  
Myrle Stucky, Gosport, Ind.  
Charlotte Wheeler, Evansville, Ind.  
Eugenia Wheeler, Evansville, Ind.
- Beta: Lillian Seeney, Bloomington, Ind.  
Henrietta Hepburn, Bloomington, Ind.  
Hilda Springer, Bloomington, Ind.  
Helen Andrews, Indianapolis, Ind.  
Rebecca Nicoson, Indianapolis, Ind.  
Esther McNaul, Indianapolis, Ind.  
Mildred Rieman, Connersville, Ind.  
Mary Rieman, Connersville, Ind.  
Mary Jane Fields, Princeton, Ind.  
Madeline Laidley, Madison, Ind.  
Florence Wandell, Bluffton, Ind.  
Sarah Gordan, Newcastle, Ind.  
Hilda Kidder, Richmond, Ind.  
Hilda Clyne, Crawfordsville, Ind.  
Thirza Woods, Kansas City, Mo.
- Gamma: Pledge date, February 15, 1913.
- Delta: Altha Watson, Topeka, Kan.  
Wilma Hill, Lafayette, Ind.  
Martha McLean, Macomb, Ill.  
Lavinia Stinson, Macomb, Ill.  
Gladys Fishleigh, Macomb, Ill.  
Ella Burns, Grand Rapids, Mich.  
Pauline Adams, Grand Rapids, Mich.  
Frances Klanck, Champaign, Ill.  
Marguerite Bennett, Washington.
- Epsilon: Sophomore pledge rule in effect.
- Eta: Marie Maloney, Niagara Falls, N. Y.  
Clara Jones, Toledo, Ohio.  
Frieda Zorn, Gibsonburg, Ohio.  
Emma Rhodehamel, Indianapolis, Ind.  
Beatrice Lambrecht, Minneapolis, Minn.  
Ellen Sargent, Oak Park, Ill.  
Gertrude Roos, Manistique, Mich.
- Iota: Pledge date, December 14, 1912.

- Kappa: Katherine Stone, Kansas City, Mo.  
Helen Cotter, Kansas City, Mo.  
James Cotter, Kansas City, Mo.  
Jessie Blakey, Pleasanton, Kan.  
Ilza Wilhelmi, Lawrence, Kan.  
Irma Wilhelmi, Lawrence, Kan.  
Florence Pratt, Independence, Kan.  
Emily Foster, Independence, Kan.  
Myra Philey, St. Joseph, Mo.  
Maria Slade, Oskaloosa, Kan.
- Lambda: Second semester pledge date.
- Mu: Pledge day, December 7, 1912.
- Rho: Second semester pledge date.
- Sigma: Pledge day, December 6, 1912.
- Tau: Clara Tatley, Bismarck, N. D.  
Alma Swain,  
Edith Shelby, Lebanon, Ind.  
(Upperclassmen, Sophomore pledge rules at Northwestern).
- Upsilon: Ruth Magnuson, 1909 Rondo st. St Paul, Minn.  
Margaret Dill, Wabasha, Minn.  
Blanche Daily, Hastings, Minn.  
Maude Briggs, 1502 Summit ave. Minneapolis, Minn.  
Elizabeth Loomis, 2817 Irving ave. S. Minneapolis, Minn.  
Marian Smith, 2018 Hawthorne ave. Minneapolis, Minn.  
Ruth Dale, Rendille, Minn.
- Phi: Dorothy Traphagen, Pasadena, Calif.  
Helen Millspaugh, Los Angeles, Calif.  
Nan Drury, San Diego, Calif.  
Elizabeth Edwards, Palo Alto, Calif.  
Alice Sanford, Palo Alto, Calif.  
Margaret Duryea, Palo Alto, Calif.  
Mabel Hough, Palo Alto, Calif.
- Chi: Ruth Jones, Syracuse, N. Y.  
Eunice Congdon, Syracuse, N. Y.  
Esther G. Wright, Syracuse, N. Y.  
Louise Balsley, Syracuse, N. Y.  
Rebecca Carter, Syracuse, N. Y.  
Mabel Brindley, Syracuse, N. Y.  
Marion Herring, Syracuse, N. Y.  
Frances Caffisch, Keating Summit, Pa.  
Elsa B. Volkman, East Orange, N. Y.  
Gladys Goulden, Ravenna, Ohio.  
May Wiles, Van Hornsville, N. Y.

Annie M. Kemp, East Stroudsburg, Pa.

Helen Romig, Rochester, N. Y.

Thyra Stiles, Plainfield, N. J.

**Psi:** Margaret Curry, Terre Haute, Ind.  
 Ernestine Chase, St. Joseph, Mo.  
 Margaret Stevens, St. Louis, Mo.  
 Ruth Norton, Elgin, Ill.  
 Marie Carns, Knoxville, Ill.

**Omega:** Ruth Edinger, 2058 Central ave. Alameda, Calif.  
 Corine Cronise, 2868 Vallejo st. San Francisco, Calif.  
 Dorothaea Torrey, No. 1 Canyon road, Berkeley, Calif.  
 Helen Goodall, 150 Lake st. Oakland, Calif.  
 Virginie de Fremery, 2728 Benvenue st. Berkeley, Calif.  
 Anna McCabe, 2723 Durant ave. Berkeley, Calif.  
 Katharine Thomas, 2949 Summit, Oakland, Calif.  
 Mary Stillman, 2430 Piedmont ave. Berkeley, Cal.  
 Jane Bangs, 2300 Waring st. Berkeley, Calif.  
 Olive Wheeler, 2728 Hearst ave. Berkeley, Calif.  
 Elizabeth Wheeler, 2728 Hearst ave. Berkeley, Calif.

**Alpha Beta:** Pledge day, November 2, 1912.

**Alpha Gamma:** Pledge day, February 18, 1913.

**Alpha Delta:** Sophomore pledge rule in effect.

**Alpha Zeta:**

**Alpha Eta:** Eunice Jackson, 1920 West End ave. Nashville, Tenn.  
 Roberta Dillon, 1715 Broad st. Nashville, Tenn.  
 Evelyn Norton, 1208 McGarock st. Nashville, Tenn.  
 Elise Chase, 1918 Broad st. Nashville, Tenn.  
 Charlotte Fox, 2213 Murphy ave. Nashville, Tenn.

**Alpha Theta:** Etta Yarrington, Austin, Tex.

Dorothaea Kellner, Galveston, Tex.

Helen Lidstone, San Saba, Tex.

Elizabeth Hawkins, Bay City, Tex.

De Rugeley Pearson, Richmond, Tex.

Louise Parmelee, Austin, Tex.

Nell Hauniman, El Paso, Tex.

Ethel Allan, Denton, Tex.

Ethel Randall, Dallas, Tex.

**Alpha Iota:** Leonora Woodward, St. Louis, Mo.

Harriett Newman, St. Louis, Mo.

Margaret Winters, St. Louis, Mo.

Ruth Zacker, St. Louis, Mo.

Helen Humphrey, St. Louis, Mo.

Helen Anderson, St. Louis, Mo.  
Mildred Searcy, St. Louis, Mo.  
Helen Murray, St. Louis, Mo.  
Florence Bassford, St. Louis, Mo.  
Marie Gallenkamp, St. Louis, Mo.  
Katharine Middleton, St. Louis, Mo.  
Senta Retter, St. Louis, Mo.  
Ruth Miller, St. Louis, Mo.  
Mary Virginia Thomas, North Yakima, Wash.

Alpha Kappa: Pledge day in December 1912.

Alpha Lambda: Florence Lewis, Wenatchee, Wash. (sister of Jessie Lewis).  
Loretta Lowman, Chinook, Mont. (sister of Lillian Lowman).  
Elgin Warren, Davenport, Wash.  
Randie Geldness, Spokane, Wash.  
Margaret Johnson, Spokane, Wash.  
Enola MacIntyre, Tacoma, Wash.  
Grace Jones, Chinook, Mont.  
Hope Rochford, Seattle, Wash.  
Betty Belmont, Seattle, Wash.  
Ella Lancaster, Seattle, Wash.  
Beatrice Mercer, Seattle, Wash.

Alpha Mu: Ruth Hoge, Chillicothe, Mo.  
Matilda Dickinson, Clinton, Mo.  
Christine Spencer, Kansas City, Mo.  
Helen Lowry, Kansas City, Mo.  
Claudine Gossett, Kansas City, Mo.  
Lavinia Peters, Kansas City, Mo.  
Edna Barck, St Louis, Mo.  
Kathryn Buchheit, Boulder, Colo.  
Frances Dulaney, Slater, Mo.

Alpha Nu: Suzanne Stabern, Helena, Mont.  
Diana Uline, Dell Rapids, S. Dak.  
(Pledge day for freshmen, June 4, 1913).

Alpha Xi: Margueritte Rankin, Portland, Oreg.  
Edythe Rogers, Portland, Oreg.  
Charlie Fenton, Portland, Oreg.  
Myrtle Gram, Portland, Oreg.  
Margueritte Montague, Portland, Oreg.  
Helen Driver, Tacoma, Wash.  
Palm Cowden, Silverton, Oreg.  
Helen Hamilton, Rosebury, Oreg.  
Lora Jane Taylor, Albany, Oreg.

Catherine Watson, Eugene, Oreg.  
Virginia Peterson, Astoria, Oreg.

Alpha Omicron : Helen Brooks, Norman, Okla.  
Marion Brooks, Norman, Okla.  
Norma Fenstemaker, Hobart, Okla.  
Irene Sharpe, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
Ada May Eastland, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
Carrie Brydia, Okmulgee, Okla.  
Carmack MacDougal, Sapulpa, Okla.  
Violet MacDougal, Sapulpa, Okla.  
Louise Hatchett, El Reno, Okla.  
Lorene Cruce, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Alpha Pi : Ethel Harris, Crookston, Minn.  
Emily Covert, Billings, Mont.  
(Upperclassmen. Sophomore pledge rules at North Dakota).

Alpha Rho : Mildred Elmore, Vermilion, S. D.  
Ethel Fleming, Milbank, S. D.  
Ada Chubbuck, Ipswich, S. D.  
Winifred Michael, Flandreau, S. D.  
Mae Olston, Lake Preston, S. D.  
Anne Setbacken, Lake Preston, S. D.  
Lelia Cummings, Centerville, S. D.  
Florence Sweet,  
Ethel Moody,  
Mable Bridgman.

## EDITORIALS

NATIONAL PANHELLENIC has just held its eleventh annual session. Would that we might transmit to you the helpfulness, the broader view point, and the enthusiastic confidence garnered from our privilege of being at the congress. While the reports of this congress may record less real action than did those of some earlier gatherings, we feel that the work of this conference has been constructive. The frank and prolonged discussions have given all a fairer knowledge of the fraternity problems. The congress has progressed from attempting to improve conditions by resolutions based on a theoretic ideal state, to the scientific attitude of studying actual existing conditions, analyzing the results of every progressive experiment, and reserving attempts at legislation until evidence is conclusive. The key-note of this congress was cooperation in exchanging information. Such cooperation will bring the knowledge which—in our judgment—is the only element now needed to make Panhellenic progress rapid and effective.

INSURANCE of Theta's future has been taking the time, money, thought, and energy of our college chapters of late. We greet you, new Thetas and to-be-Theta pledges. New Thetas do you realize it is up to you to make this insurance valid? You are the insurance we have indulged in this fall. Your part is to so live each college day that your college life will be free from regrets. Three opportunities you must make the most of to insure college life from regrets. You must make the most of the class-room opportunities by able scholarship. You must make the most of the opportunities for efficient citizenship by active work in the community life. You must make the most of this golden chance for the cultivation of the priceless gift of friendship. Learn how to study, how to work in harmony with others, how to share your best life with those worthy to be called friend. We have faith in this insurance we have taken, we stand ready to help you to the limit of our abilities.

KAPPA ALPHA THETA, we beg leave to introduce to you three new members of our family. Let us present to you, Alpha Gamma alumnae chapter of Madison, Wisconsin; Alpha Delta

alumnæ chapter of Stanford university, California; and Alpha Epsilon alumnæ chapter of Providence, Rhode Island. Madison, Stanford, Providence alumnæ Thetas, we are glad to meet you, we trust this is the beginning of an everlasting companionship.

**C**ONVENTION headquarters selected, the date set, the preliminary programme drafted. Success and great pleasure are assured if you do your part. Your part is to be one of the convention party. Will you be there?

**M**ISS MARTHA J. RIDPATH, Alpha '79, has accepted an appointment as Historian of Kappa Alpha Theta. Miss Ridpath's long residence in Greencastle, the birth place of Theta, has given her a splendid background for this task—a task begun none too soon, if we are to gather complete records. We ask every chapter and every individual Theta to give Miss Ridpath prompt and loyal cooperation in the gathering of historical data, pictures, and memorabilia.

**T**HE PANHELLENIC NUMBER we call this issue for several reasons. In the first place, a large part of its pages are given to the work and words of our contemporaries. We have chosen to thus place before our readers the trend of thought and action in other fraternities—because of the inspiration, encouragement, and helpful suggestion that are gained from a knowledge of what the other fellow thinks and does; and because our new initiates need to be acquainted early with the fact that fraternity embraces a much larger field than our own order and that common interests and purposes are essential to the stability and integrity of the fraternity world as a whole. Rushing we have long held in common. Satisfactory college scholarship we must all work for and attain, or else we must all bear the consequences of failure—even upon the part of but a few organizations. In the second place, the place of honor is occupied by the progressive work of the National Panhellenic congress. Its earnest efforts should have our most loyal support. In the third place, the college Panhellenic's power is, in the fall, actively awake in the guiding of rushing

affairs and we wish to abet the continuance of this awakeness after the rush—urging that such activity be directed to the strengthening of the position of the fraternities in the college community, and to cooperation with the college authorities in all efforts to improve social and scholarship standards.

**S**CHOLARSHIP FUND enthusiasm has taken a new form in the committee's plan for Life endowments. Under the easy terms of the plan, it would seem that every chapter should obtain more than its quota of seven Life endowments. Just think, then we would have realized fully this beautiful undertaking by next convention. All success to the Life endowment plan.

**A**LUMNAE will be interested to know that the January number will be largely devoted to alumnae interests. Its success depends upon the cooperation of every Theta. Please send the Editor a message, not later than December 1. Tell us what you are doing, where you are, what you did in the summer, what you plan to do; then tell us the same sort of things, or other interesting things, about the other Thetas you know. Give us glimpses of fraternity life when you were in college. Criticise us, preach to us, or just chat with us—anything and everything from you will receive a royal welcome. The January issue is your number: make of it what you will.

**T**HE EDITOR'S WORK has been lightened and she has been cheered by the numerous good wishes and kindly greetings received this fall. The friendly little notes (telling of the rush or giving the latest chapter news) that have been tucked into envelopes laden with chapter letters, mailing lists, and other official matters, have been especially cheering. To be on intimate, friendly terms with our co-workers is our greatest fraternity ambition. It is our impulse and desire to send a personal letter in response to every note received, but, as time and strength have their limits, that has proved impossible, so we take this opportunity to express to you our sincerest thanks and our heartfelt appreciation.

## NOTICES

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## CHAPTER LETTERS AND ALUMNÆ NEWS

## ALPHA—DEPAUW UNIVERSITY

College closed in the spring with one of the largest chapters Alpha has known. Our graduating class numbered nine, two of whom, Margaret Keiper and Dyer Lemon, we were proud to have receive invitations to join Phi Beta Kappa. In the fall, there were just seventeen girls at the first fraternity meeting. We expect several of the others back next semester, however. On account of the sophomore pledging rules we were able only to take in six new girls, all of them sisters and daughters. But we considered ourselves very fortunate in having that number in college this year.

The new rules are very hard to keep, yet the fraternities are living up to their spirit, according to Elizabeth Von Behren, president of Panhellenic. The rules as they now stand are as follows:

1. Pledge day for the sophomores will be on the Monday before the Monday of examination week.
2. Girls with sophomore classification may be pledged after matriculation.
3. Sisters and daughters may be pledged upon entrance.
4. No sleeping with freshmen shall be allowed.
5. No eating with freshmen shall be allowed except in ice-cream parlors.
6. Expenses for rushing shall be limited to \$50.00 to be used as an organization sees fit.
7. No freshmen cliques brought together to force a sorority to action, will be tolerated.

Not only are there many changes in Theta this year, but also in the college itself. Four of our most popular professors have left us this year, some on leave of absence, others for good. Our last year's president, Dr. McConnell, has left us to take up work in his new office of bishop. The coming of the new "Prexy," Dr. Grose, of Baltimore is anxiously looked forward to by everybody. In spite of all this newness, it is really the same old DePauw and we find ourselves mighty glad to be back and together again.

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*Dorothy Weik*

- '06 Nell Carmichael of Muncie is to be married Oct. 4, 1912.
  - '12 Margaret Keiper is taking post-graduate work at Stanford university.
  - '12 Gwendolyn Rudy is teaching in Porto Rico this year.
  - '13 Irene Taylor is expected back in college next semester.
  - '14 Bess Ferguson is attending Stanford university this year.
  - '15-ex Helen Guild will be in college the second semester.
  - '15 Helen Pulliam is out of college this year on account of ill health.
- Alpha had visits from Mary Fisher and Hallie Pilger of Beta in September.

#### BETA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY

The enrollment at Indiana this year, we are proud to say, greatly exceeds that of any former year, and Beta has taken her share of the newcomers. Our chapter starts well, our ranks were partially depleted by the loss of five seniors and eleven underclassmen, but have been filled by fifteen promising pledges, and we already feel the reciprocal benefit of the association of new and old girls.

The rush this year was comparatively easy and entirely successful. Our customary evening party was given September 23. A Japanese scheme was employed with pleasing effect in decorations, programs, and favors. Following the dance we presented for the second time in rush season, *Romeo and Juliet*, the burlesque given by Phi at the convention. The next day was Pledge-day, which is usually the occasion for a luncheon given us by the town alumnae, but this year the luncheon was replaced by a breakfast at the chapter house. We thank the alumnae not only for this delightful affair but for their aid throughout the rush.

We held our open house in the Student building, September 27, when we were proud to introduce our pledges. A spring term pledge, Elinor Wolf of South Bend, was initiated October 3.

There have been few changes in the house this year, our proudest new possession being a rug for the reception hall, a gift of the alumnae.

6 October 1912

*Elinor Wolf*

'96 Married, June 20, Mary Battey Lincoln and Campbell Macmillan. Address: 115 Waverly place, Schenectady, N. Y.

'08-ex Born Sept. 12 to Mr and Mrs Harry Johnson (Margaret Davidson) a daughter. Address: Third st. Bloomington, Ind.

'10-ex Nelle Aydelotte is spending the winter abroad.

'10 Anna Sneed Megee is teaching Latin in the high school at Gaston, Ind.  
'11 Florence Frazee was married Oct. 11, at her home in Rushville, O. to H. C. Woodward of Covington, Ky. Mr and Mrs Woodward will live in Cincinnati, O.

'11-ex The marriage of Ruby Washburn and Fred Brown of Anderson took place Oct. 30.

'11 The marriage of Katherine Croan to Walter Greenough,  $\Phi\ K\ \Psi$ , took place July 6 in Indianapolis, where they are residing, Mr Greenough being employed by the *Indianapolis Star*.

'12-ex Avis Bryan is teaching in Bloomfield.

'12 Georgia Sembower is teaching in the grade schools in Garrett, Ind.

'12 Margaret Latham is teaching English and psychology in the Harrisburg, Pa. high school.

'12 Ida Chenoweth is teaching in Brownsburg, Ind.

'12 Willa Palmer is taking post-graduate work at Indiana this year.

'12-ex Irma Weyerbacher is teaching in Boonville.

Among our visitors for the rush were Mrs Mary E. Eichrodt, Jeanne Crowder, Helen Reed, and Nance Conwell of Indianapolis; Edith Wilk of Rushville; Lois Stewart of Sullivan; Harriet Pilger of Anderson; Mary Walters of Crawfordsville; Mary Fisher of Noblesville, and Abigail Schaeffer of Richmond.

Born, Sept. 2 to Mr and Mrs W. C. Kruegel (Charlotte Malotte) a daughter, Marian. Address: 1705 B st. Pullman, Wash.

Mrs John Bender (Pearl Cassell) has moved to Pullman, Wash. where her husband is coach and graduate manager of student activities in the Washington state college.

#### GAMMA—BUTLER COLLEGE

Gamma welcomed the beginning of the new term enthusiastically, with an unusually large number of girls returning.

Theta instigated no active rush during the summer months, but gave several spreads, launching parties, and a dance at a delightful camp which we maintained for several weeks on the banks of Broad Ripple. On matriculation day we entertained the new girls with a spread, and later we gave an enjoyable musical at the home of one of Gamma's members.

Following a faculty ruling, that each fraternity must be officially chaperoned by a member of the faculty and his wife, Gamma has chosen Professor and Mrs. Putnam to act in that capacity for this year.

We are very enthusiastic over our plans for a lodge, which the

kind interest and assistance of Zeta alumnae has so far advanced for us. We have just come into possession of our lot, which is 75 feet wide and 200 feet deep, and which is located in a beautiful section of Irvington. We expect to build this lodge for the chapter and alumnae meetings and dances.

According to a Panhellenic contract, there will be no pledging before February 15, no parties or calls being permitted the week preceding that date. This means that all festivities must cease February 8. Thursday the 6th, Friday the 7th, and Saturday the 8th were chosen by Kappa Alpha Theta, Pi Beta Phi, and Kappa Gamma, respectively, upon which days no fraternity, excepting the one having drawn the date, shall be permitted to have parties. The invitations will be sent out by A. D. T. messenger boys so as to reach their destination by two o'clock on February 15. Each sorority is allowed two parties a month,—Gamma, however, has decided to concentrate her energies in one monthly party and we hope to make that a particularly pleasing event.

To all of our sister chapters we send wishes for a happy, progressive and successful year.

1 October 1912.

*Marie Pritchard*

'80 Mrs Mary E. Eichrodt will spend the winter in New York city, where her son, Charles, is attending Columbia university.

'09-ex Born to Mr and Mrs F. B. Davenport (Constance Addington) on May 22, 1911, a daughter, Mary Elizabeth, and on July 28, 1912, a son, Thomas Addington. Address: 6330 Cromwell place, New Orleans, La.

'09-ex Born to Mr and Mrs Homer McKinstry (Josephine Wiest) a son, David Niel.

'09-ex Hazel Pasquire Dow (Mrs James) is here on a visit from her new home in Venice, Cal.

'10-ex Born to Mr and Mrs Ernest Foley (Jess Ragsdale) a son, Ernest Lee, Jr.

'10-ex Mrs E. P. Thayer and daughter Roxana, have gone from Arizona to California for the winter.

'11-ex Married, May 15, Cornelia Goe and Theodore Kingsbury,  $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ .

'11-ex Born to Mr and Mrs George Moffet (Florence McHatten) a son, Thomas.

'11-ex Married, June 12, Ruth Davenport and Claris Adams,  $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ .

## DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Pledge day was September 28 and Delta is happy to present nine pledges. The mother of one of our pledges, Altha Watson, is a Theta from the original Delta chapter at Bloomington, Illinois and through special dispensation from Panhellenic we were able to pledge her the first week of rush season.

Panhellenic decided on two weeks rush instead of the three weeks of former years and men were excluded entirely. Our special functions were a spread, a picnic, and a formal dinner, the final climax to a series of dinners given during rushing season. Our picnic was particular fun. It rained so we had to have it indoors. Individual baskets were given to the girls and we ate in the library, which we transformed into a picnic ground.

Ethel Sykes, president of Delta Gamma district, visited us the first week of rushing season, on her way home from Canada. Her ideas gathered from the different chapters moved things along with more zest than usual. We only wished she could stay with us during the whole season.

Our corporation gave us a new heating system this fall and re-decorated the walls downstairs. All the old house girls will be interested to know this.

The girls are all starting to be economical this semester, in order that the pennies saved may be put aside for their convention fund.

The Beta Theta Pis have a lovely new home this fall, close to the Kappa Sigmas which was new last year.

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*Florence King*

'01 Helen Taylor Bush (Mrs J. K.) has moved from Joliet, Ill. to Seattle, Wash. She may be reached, care Mr J. K. Bush, National city bank, Seattle, Wash.

'06 Josephine Meissner has announced her engagement to Arthur J. Quigley, Σ A E, Wisconsin '03. The wedding will take place Tuesday evening, Oct. 29.

'07 Married, Aug. 15, Alice E. Fullenwider and Ernest B. Lytle. Address: 603 S. Orchard st. Urbana, Ill.

'07-ex Married, Ida Mattis and Stanley Snyder, Σ X.

'07 Marion Weatherman is studying at Illinois.

'10-ex Married, Mabel Frazee and James B. Snyder.

'11-ex Married, June 12, Marion Moyer to L. E. Sweet, B Θ II. Late this fall they will go to New York city to make their future home.

'11-ex Married, Helen Jordan and Henry Truitt, B Θ II.

'11 Married, Elizabeth Broadbush and Loyd Jones, A T Ω.

'11 Nelle Holland is teaching at Veedersburg, Ind.

'12-ex The present address of Jennie Parker Richards (Mrs Keene) is 511 Florence ave. Joliet, Ill.

'14-ex Marguerite Costello is teaching at LaGrange, Ill.

Recent visitors were: Marguerite Costello, Miriam Samter, Mabel Frazee, Mildred Lawrence Wheeler, Marion Moyer Sweat, Allegra Covey, Gertrude Humphreys, Winifred Jones, and Nelle Holland.

#### EPSILON—WOOSTER UNIVERSITY

So many new things greeted us at Wooster this fall that we were more than usually glad to be back at our college work. First we have a Dean of women, one of Wooster's own alumnae, Miss Winona Hughes, who for several years has belonged to the faculty of Mount Holyoke college. We have long been wishing for a Dean of women.

Then we have the new Louis Severance gymnasium. In plan and equipment it ranks as one of the best in the country. Architecturally, it is in many respects one of the most beautiful buildings on the campus. Solid and massive, it is symbolic of its purpose.

The fraternities found still another new thing. The college trustees had passed a rule that no invitations to fraternities or sororities should be given until the beginning of a student's sophomore year. Many of us were apprehensive that this rule would result in the rushing continuing throughout the whole of the freshman year. After much discussion the sororities have pledged themselves, individually and collectively, to do no rushing this year. There are to be no Panhellenic rules, no definition of rushing. Intercourse with the new girls is, thus, to be put on a natural basis. The Panhellenic association will of course continue, but with a different aim—that of making fraternity life count for the good of the college.

Our life within the fraternity is much as usual. We have thirteen this year in the active chapter. Of honors we have the usual number. Frances Goheen is president of the Young Women's Christian association and Louise Waddell is its treasurer. In June, Agnes Scott won the second Edward Taylor prize for scholarship. One new

plan for efficiency in the chapter has been adopted. As suggested in the *Journal* last year, the vice-president is to act as general overseer of all the other chapter officers. Among our alumnae, steps are now being taken toward the organization of all of Epsilon's alumnae into one association. The loyalty of our alumnae means much for us.

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*Mary Mateer, Epsilon*

'89 Alice Brown of Wooster has been since May with her sister in Los Angeles.

'90 Emily Bruce of Girard, Kan. was in Wooster for a visit this summer.

'04 Laura Fulton spent the summer in Europe.

'06 Laura Anderson expects to spend the year studying in Germany and France.

'08 Married, Frances E. Kanke and W. C. McClure. Address: 3206 Prospect ave. Cleveland, O.

'09 Clara West and George Rogers were married Sept. 11. Address: Wheeling, W. Va. Over twenty Thetas were present at the marriage.

'10-ex The engagement of Clarissa Annat and Walter Tyler of Wooster is announced.

'11-ex Mary Metz graduated in June from Wellesley, and will be at home in Wooster this year.

'11 Elisa Candor's address is Taylorhurst, Euclid ave. Cleveland, O.

'11 Amy March is attending Columbia teachers college this year.

'12 The engagement of Nellie Kilgore and Barclay Meldrum is announced.

'12 Margaret Biernatzki is at home this year at Aurora, Ill.

'12-ex Florence May is engaged in children's library work in Cleveland.

'15-ex Helen Houghton is attending the Sargent school of physical education in Cambridge, Mass.

Forty-seven Thetas attended Epsilon's annual alumnae breakfast in June.

#### ETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

College opened October 2, not quite a week ago, but by now, we are practically through our fall rushing and have seven fine pledges to show. As we have no pledge day most of the rushing has to be done in the few days before college opens.

We had the usual teas and dinners, and Saturday, Myra Post Cady invited us all, active girls, pledges, and rushees, to a luncheon at her home in Detroit. Charlotte Walker Stone and several of the Detroit alumnae were there so that it was a real Theta reunion as well as a most successful rushing party. Tuesday evening we had

a buffet supper at which our patronesses, as well as our rushees, were present. The following Saturday we gave what was called an "Up the river party." Every one came dressed in a middy blouse, and the dining room was decorated with branches to resemble the river's bank, with signs posted here and there among the leaves. We all sat on the floor and had a real picnic supper, and afterwards toasted marshmallows before the fire, and altogether had such a jolly informal time that we almost forgot it was a rushing party. This was the last regular rushing affair that we had and it marks the end of a very successful season.

We have had our first football game with Case, and our chances seem good, but this is too early to prophesy. The Choral union has planned a remarkably fine course this year, the first concert to be given by Madame Schuman-Heink, October 22.

7 October 1912

*Emily M. Gilfillan*

'82 Mrs Laura H. Norton has returned to her school work in Chicago after six months spent in Europe.

'10 Married, Sept. 3, 1912, Bernice W. Randall and J. H. Flachmann.

'12 Louise Tuthill's engagement to Gordan Kingsbury, Δ Ψ, was announced June, 1912. Louise Tuthill, her mother, and Ruby Scott '13-ex will spend the winter in Europe.

'12 Helen Pyle is in Switzerland this winter studying domestic science.

'13-ex Born, Sept. 10, to Mr and Mrs Earle Barber (Margaret Weart) a daughter, Betty.

'13-ex Married, at Toledo, Ohio, June 15, 1912, Katherine Sherwood and S. H. Roberts, Φ A Δ. At home after Sept. 1, Chicago.

'13-ex Elizabeth Crocker has returned from Europe. Elfrieda, Emma and Elsie Wietz and Stella Roth returned from Europe this fall.

#### IOTA—CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Summer vacation may have its charms, but there is nothing quite equal to the college year. This fall we returned few, but strong and united. Many of our chapter graduated, some transferred to other colleges, and still others left to get married.

With all these gone we doubly appreciate our two new members, Mildred Watt and Marjorie Barberie, both of Brooklyn, New York, whom we initiated May 7. We also initiated Vera Davidson



DELTA GAMMA DISTRICT HOUSE PARTY



A DISTRICT CONVENTION GROUP

of Bovina, New York, who is continuing her course at Stanford university.

Panhellenic is trying to introduce a long non-rushing season without many rules, but up to the present time rushing has been carried on by all fraternities as if it were a six weeks course. Pledge day is set for sometime in April.

Fraternity material is splendid this year, as the freshman class is large. Our many alumnae in town are all anxious and waiting to help us in what little ways they can, for they too, are bound by our rules, which, to be sure are few, but weighty.

This is our last year in Sage hall which has been the girls dormitory for so many years. Our new dormitory, Prudence Risley, will be in readiness next fall, and we are anxious to have our chapter rooms in one of its attractive suites.

There have been several buildings in the process of construction during the last year and now four are nearly completed. One of these is a Home economics building which the girls in that department hope to get into by February, the beginning of our second term.

1 October 1912

*Susan May Bontecou*

'05 Born to Mr and Mrs Walter Henderson (Josephine Andrews Magill) a daughter, Eleanor Elizabeth Magill, July 18, 1912.

'08 Helen Stearns was married to M. G. Nelson, Aug. 7, 1912, at Norwich, Conn. They will be at home after Oct. 1, at Franklin, N. Y.

'08 Born to Mr and Mrs P. D. Carman (Edna Mertz) a son, Dickerson Mertz Carman, July 12, 1912. New address: Arundel apts. Indianapolis, Ind.

'09 Born to Mr and Mrs R. W. Sailor (Queenie Horton) a daughter, Isabelle Horton in July, 1912.

'09 The address of Sara Bailey Sailor (Mrs H. P.) is 558 Pomeroy st. Kenosha, Ill.

'09 Lois Wing was married to Loomis Burrel, June 20, 1912. At home after Oct. 1, at Overlook, Little Falls, N. Y. Mr and Mrs Burrel spent the summer touring France by automobile.

'11 Cornelia Switzer is teaching mathematics in the high school at Staunton, Va.

'12 Eliza Dickerson is teaching English and Latin in the high school at Marion, Ohio.

'12 Jean Potts is teaching English and French in Lansingburg high school, Lansingburg, N. Y.

'85 Mrs Anna Botsford Comstock spent the summer in Europe, where Professor Comstock was delegate to the International entomological congress. They were entertained by Royalty.

'85 Mrs L. A. Wait and husband have returned from a twenty-seven months' trip through England, Norway, France, Switzerland, Italy, Egypt, India, Japan, Sandwich islands, and the Pacific coast.

'14 Born, to Mr and Mrs Harold Babbit Smith (Persis Smith) a daughter, Persis Nancy, Sept. 29, 1912.

'06 Abbie Findlay Potts, President of Alpha Alpha district is not teaching this year.

'96 Nannine A. La Villa Meiklejohn's (Mrs. Alexander) new address is Amherst, Mass. her husband being the new president of Amherst college.

#### KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

Kappa is very happy this fall in the new home that was built for us during the summer. The house, of New England Colonial style is spacious and comfortable, and also very attractive in appearance. It was entirely finished in time for rushing season and, with the help of the resident girls, the furniture was in place and at least part of the curtains hung.

Rushing started September 18 and continued for ten days. We gave four parties; a tea, a cotillion, the annual matinée and picnic, and the Rest party—a custom which was started a year ago. The cotillion was the first of its kind that we have given, the suggestion of which came from Mildred Post, our District president. The figures were led by Rachel Coston with each Theta acting as a man with rushee for partner. We Thetas dressed in green and white, and the favors and decorations were carried out in these colors, silver bracelets wound in green being presented to each guest during the last dance.

September 28 we pledged ten freshmen of whom we are very proud. Six of them are Theta sisters. Kappa is also happy to introduce Marie Sealy of Independence, Missouri, and Georgia Cotter of Kansas City, Missouri, who were initiated May 27.

We are very fortunate this year to have Mrs. Shanklin for our house-mother. We love her already and only hope that she will care enough for us to make our house her permanent home. Her daughter Flora, a Theta, also takes her meals with us, rooming a short block away.

Letitia Blakey who studied at Simmons last year returned to Kansas this fall to complete her course.

The freshmen frolic was given September 28 by the Young Women's Christian association. Four comedies were given, followed by a lantern parade, giving the new students a good time and a chance to get acquainted. The Thetas that took part were Fredricka Hodder, Amarynthia Smith, Pauline Murray and Marie Sealy.

The first football game between St. Mary's and Kansas was rather one-sided, the score being 62 to 0 in our favor. The game was followed by the annual night-shirt parade, the ghostly, serpentine line stretching for three blocks down the main street, and more than one man can only whisper now, due to his zeal and enthusiasm.

October 5 we gave an informal house dance for our new pledges, inviting, as their partners, freshmen from the fraternities.

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*Marian Bedford*

'04 On Oct. 2, 1912, Mary Johnson and Millard Shaler, B Θ II, were married. They will reside in Belgium.

'07 Born to Mr and Mrs Otto Barteldes (Helen Schaeffer) a girl, Barbara.

'08 Born to Mr and Mrs Burkholder (Rebecca Moody) a girl, Jane.

'10 Hazel Allison is teaching at Hiawatha, Kan.

'10 Edna Hopkins is teaching at Plainfield, N. J.

'12 Myra Rogers is teaching Latin in Abilene, Kan.

'12 Euphemia Smart is teaching domestic science in Seneca, Kan.

'12 Lois Stevens is teaching English in Minneapolis, Kan.

'12-ex On April 30 Helen Sparr and Arthur Spalding were married.

'12-ex On Oct. 1 Carrie Calhoun and Herman Walker, Φ Δ Θ, were married. Address: Box 411, Bisbee, Ariz.

Inez Kinney of Epsilon in her work as territorial secretary for Y. W. C. A. was with us for two days.

'14-ex On June 3 Ruth Lawson and Claud Sowers were married.

'14-ex The engagement of Nellie Taylor and John Musselman has been announced.

'14-ex Nell Carraher is studying fashion drawing in Kansas City, Mo.

'14-ex Marie Hedrick and Adine Hall are at Smith college this year.

'14-ex Mable Thornton is assistant librarian at Kansas university.

LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

The Theta clan reassembled September 28 in the old familiar hall, which was rendered doubly attractive by its new furnishings, the

gift of our alumnae. This fall the bond is especially dear because of the blackness which suddenly overclouded our vacation, when we heard of the sudden death of Gladys Bedell, '14. We also miss from our circle Theta Baker '12, who was graduated valedictorian of her class. Two other breaks in our ranks were filled by the return of two former members, so Lambda eagerly greets the new year with twenty-one members.

We keenly enjoyed Miss Pott's visit last May and feel that Alpha district is extremely happy in its District president. She left with us not only the memory of her charming personality and sage counsels, but also a beautiful copy of Carot as a tangible reminder of her visit.

June spread was a right merry gathering in Hotel VanNess. Mrs. Jacobs was an admirable toastmistress and the best of Theta goodfellowship prevailed.

College opened September 25, with the largest registration in its history and a promising freshman class, with whom we hope to become acquainted in a natural manner, since second semester pledging is again the rule.

A new arrangement for chapel services is in effect, by which chapel is held at ten o'clock instead of eight-fifteen. Owing to lack of space, seniors and freshmen alternate with the other classes in attending three times weekly.

We are glad to have Dr. and Mrs. Stone, of Miami university as our physical directors. Mrs. Stone is also the matron of Lyman hall, the new dormitory for girls, which was recently rented by the university. All the colleges of the university are being united as never before and a splendid spirit of unity already dominates the campus.

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*Bessie M. Thayer*

- '83 Mattie Matthews is spending a few weeks at Mt. Clemens, Mich.
- '94 Mary Bates attended the wedding of Miriam Hitchcock, Sept. 27.
- '95 Florence Burdick Hayes (Mrs W. S.), Cambridge, Mass. is visiting in town.
- '99 Mary Tewkesbury is teaching this year in Concord, N. H. Address: 39 Green st.
- '99 Clara Johnson has resigned her position in Marlborough, Mass. and will live at 110 Mill st. Springfield, Mass.

- '00 Amy Burt is studying economics in the London school of economics.
- '01 Mabel Brownell is spending the year at her home, 196 S. Willard st. Burlington, Vt. having resigned her position as secretary of the Y. W. C. A. of Hartford, Conn.
- '05 Elizabeth Collier, Vassar, has won by competitive examination, a fellowship for a year's study abroad. She traveled this summer with her mother and sister and will study at Oxford.
- '05-ex Maude Davis, Wells River, Vt. attended Miriam Hitchcock's wedding.
- '08 Lucy Bean French (Mrs. Harold) Ann Arbor, Mich. spent the summer at her home in Newport, Vt.
- '08 Helen M. Barker is passing a few weeks at her home in Burlington, Vt. after nearly three years of study on the continent.
- '09 Married, Aug. 8, Mollie Robinson and Llewellyn Rood Perkins. At home after Oct. 1, Franklin, Mass.
- '09 Mary Root is teaching in Woodstock, Vt.
- '09 Lambdas held a house-party at Thompson's Pt. before attending the wedding of Mollie Robinson.
- '09 Married, Sept. 27, Miriam Hitchcock to Edward Eaton Chapin, Amherst '08 at her home in Pittsford, Vt. Address: Cardenas, Cuba.
- '10 Clara Bond teaches this year in Herman, N. Y.
- '10 Amy Wilson has a position as private secretary for a Boston firm. Address: 93 Revere st.
- '11 Lois Redmond has accepted a position in the high school of Lyndonville, Vt. after spending the summer abroad.
- '11 Ruth Votey teaches English and French in Montpelier high school.
- '11 Edna McMurrey Wright (Mrs Michael) El Paso, Tex. has a young son.
- '12 Theta Baker has begun her duties in the high school of Enosburg Falls, Vt.
- '12-ex Caroline Hatch returns to Vermont this fall to complete her course which was postponed because of illness.
- '13-ex Helen Daniels is teaching domestic science in Morrisville, Vt.
- '13-ex Hazel Weeks has accepted a position as head of the domestic science work in the schools of Montpelier, Vt.
- '13-ex Ruth Tracy has returned to her studies at Columbia university. Address: 1230 Amsterdam ave. Whittier hall, New York city.
- '13-ex Catherine Dewey has resumed her studies after a year's absence on account of illness.
- '14-ex Died, Gladys Bedell at her home in Morrisville, Vt. Aug. 2, 1912.
- '14-ex Margaret Johnson has left college to assist her mother this year.
- The following alumnae attended June spread: '82 Addie E. Paris (Mrs L. J.); '83 Florence Crooker; '85 Mary Mills Deyette (Mrs I. H.); '94 Bessie Wright Brown (Mrs W. L.); '96 Ruth Norton Roberts (Mrs Fred); '99 Fanny Smith Webster (Mrs Walter); '99 Mabel Nelson Jacobs (Mrs E. C.);

'99-ex Marion McIntyre Loudon (Mrs. Guy); '03 Harriette Hodge; '03-ex Helen Hodge; '05-ex Edna Ray Pinney (Mrs Robt.); '07 Margaret Harmon; '08 Sarah Eno; '12-ex Caroline Hatch.

In the May fête given by the women of the university, May 30, three Thetas took leading parts, Theta Baker '12 as the Spirit of Spring, Nina Shepardson '14 as the Fairy queen, and Bernadine Kimbell '15 in a solo dance.

#### MU—ALLEGHENY COLLEGE

When Bentley's bell tolled on September 17 most of the Mu girls were back in college happy to see one another and enthusiastic to begin the work of the year. The enrollment this year is unusually large, registration amounting to 390.

Again we have practically the same Panhellenic contract as last year—another non-rushing season with pledge day Saturday, December 7. A radical change in the Panhellenic contract for the men's fraternities is that brought about by the *Sophomore spike*, by which no man may be bid until his sophomore year.

An innovation in the form of College night was introduced this year, and the enthusiastic success with which it was received by the students promises to place it permanently on the list of college traditions. The revealing of the nature and purpose of this new event was left to President Crawford, who in a very interesting speech explained that the purpose of College night was to promote a democratic spirit at Allegheny. The campus was lighted with Japanese lanterns, and a bon-fire added its glow to the scene.

Our first fraternity merry-making this year was an enjoyable dinner in the chapter rooms given by our sophomores for the upper-classmen. The honor guests were Hattie Johnson and Katherine Adams McCune (Mrs. W. H.)

The Montgomery athletic field is now completed! Saturday, October 5, has been set as a holiday for the celebration of the formal opening of the new field. Dr. Watson L. Savage, director of the Pittsburgh athletic association, is to give an address. Another of the events of the day is a football game with Hiram college.

A new heating plant for the college is being installed, the most salient feature of which just at present is the big yellow brick smoke stack standing solitary and aloft among the trees, like some medieval tower of defense.

The sincere sympathy of our chapter goes out to Augusta Gibbons '12 in her sorrow over the death of her mother early in the summer.

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*Gay Kellogg*

'84 Florence Sullivan Murray (Mrs W. P.) has moved from Erie to Titusville, Pa. where Dr. W. P. Murray is now pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church.

'05 Hattie O. Johnson is visiting Katherine Adams McCune (Mrs W. P.) in Meadville.

'08 Wahnta Danford is teaching in East Orange, N. J.

'10 Lottie Hammett is teaching in Wilkinsburg, Pa.

'10 Helen Murray is spending the winter with her grandfather in Erie, Pa.

'11 Gertrude Hillman's new address is 308 Fifth st. Marietta, Ohio.

'12 Augusta Gibbons is teaching in Sharon, Pa.

'12 Florence McElwain is spending the winter at her home in Sheakleyville, Pa.

'12 Helene Peck is at her home in Bellevue, Pa. this winter.

'12 Marguerite Shelmadine is spending the winter at her home in Pleasantville, Pa.

'13 Beulah Grauel is living with her sister Florence Grauel Miller (Mrs F. P.) this winter.

'13 Florence Senn, now a senior at the University of Michigan, visited our chapter Sept. 23 and 24.

'14 Muza Anchors has returned to college after spending last winter in Carpinteria, Cal.

'14-ex Faye Barnes has left college on account of ill health. We hope for her return next year.

'15-ex Margaret Yingling is teaching at Wilkinsburg, Pa.

The following were present at our annual commencement banquet: Rebecca Cooper, Mrs C. L. Webb, Anna Haskins, Claribelle Wilkins, Emma Edson, Lettie Johnston, Bess Dutton, Belle Limber, Effie Milliren, Amy Courtenay, Florence Grauel Miller, Nulu Neale, Harriet Phillips, Katherine Illingworth, Jessamine De Haven, Gertrude Hillman, Ruth Kelly, Mae Straw. Among the alumnae who visited in Meadville the past summer were: Mrs E. Blakely, Mrs Eva B. Dickson, and Marguerite Shelmadine '12.

#### RHO—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Rho starts the new year with an active chapter of fourteen, ten of whom are house girls. Although this is a smaller number than we have had for several years we will still be able to keep up the house as before. Mrs. Hamilton, the mother of one of the girls, is

chaperon, and we have one new transfer with us, Maurine McAdams from Alpha Xi.

Second semester pledging is being tried at Nebraska for the first time, so the rushing which formerly took place registration week is done away with. The present rushing rules are numerous and complicated. No rushing can be done till after the third week of classes and sisters can be pledged after the fifth week.

Our town girls seemed to realize how we would miss the excitement and gayety of rush week, so had a party for us the first Saturday afternoon after we all came back. A very clever stunt was given and it was certainly good to see all the girls together again.

September 28 the Girl's club gave a reception for the freshman girls and it gave us a good opportunity to meet the prospective rushees.

The scholastic standing of all the women's fraternities was published a few days after the opening of college and we were delighted to learn that for the first semester of last year Kappa Alpha Theta headed the list.

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*Louise Bedwell*

'97-ex Born, Sept. 16, a son to Mr and Mrs Alexander Sheldon (Charlotte Clark).

'02 The marriage of Laura Woodford took place Oct. 1 at Knowlesville, N. Y. to Arthur Sidney Whitbeck, Θ Δ X, Cornell, C. E. They will reside in Medina, N. Y.

'02-ex Mr and Mrs Arthur Moore (Hallie Post) are now living in York, Nebr.

'07 Mildred Post, president of Delta Beta district, was married Oct. 2 to Dr. Jess S. Lancaster, Φ P Σ, Northwestern Medical. At home after Nov. 1 at 614 Burlington ave. York, Neb.

'07 Mr and Mrs Allan Murphey (Mabel Dutch) have moved to Lincoln.

'08 Mr and Mrs Charles Duer (Stella Trimble) moved to New York city this summer.

'07 Zola Dellecker has returned from a trip abroad. She will be married in Nov. to Robert Gannett, Φ Δ Θ.

'09 Born, to Mr and Mrs Simon Cassady, jr. (Margaret Wheeler) a daughter, Rose, on July 16.

'10-ex Juliette Atwood has returned from abroad.

'11-ex Gratia Green was married Sept. 25 to Neil Harrison Dunn, B Θ II. They will be at home after Nov. 1 at Elk Creek, Neb.

'11 Emma Swezey is teaching in Aibonito, Porto Rico.

'11-ex Brace Cooley Collins (Mrs Cornelius) has a son, Cornelius, jr. born June 6.

'11 Laura Hainer is teaching in Aberdeen, Wash. Her address is 408 West 1st st.

'11 Alice McCullough was married to Hubert Keys Owen,  $\Phi\Delta\Theta$  on July 20. Address: Missouri Valley, Iowa.

'11 Kate Field and Helen Davis are attending the School of household arts, Columbia university. Address: Whittier hall.

'11 Married, June 27, Dorothy Miller and R. E. Campbell,  $\Lambda T \Omega$ . Address: 16 Taylor rd. Cleveland, Ohio.

'12 Louise Barr is the Y. W. C. A. secretary at Iowa state university.

'12 Louise Guthrie is teaching physics, physiology and Latin in the high school at Sterling, Nebr.

Hazel and Laura Lotze, Alpha Rho, were Lincoln visitors in the summer.

#### SIGMA—TORONTO UNIVERSITY

The college year opened September 30 and, as all enrolling had to be completed by October 1, all the students are here now. President Falconer gave his opening address in Convocation hall on Tuesday. We miss last year's graduates very much and, since the first year is unusually large, we feel almost as if the strangers were more numerous than our friends as yet.

The first meeting of the chapter was held this afternoon in the chapter room. All the active chapter and a number of the alumnae were present. Rushing was the chief subject for discussion. This year the time is to be longer, but rushing is to be confined to eight week-ends and then there is to be concentrated rushing from November 29 till December 6. We think that this will make it less strenuous than it has been in other years. The freshies seem to be very promising and we hope to have some fine initiates.

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*Jean B. Tom.*

'04 Ruth Cameron Bertram spent the summer in Europe.

'05 Evelyn Dickson Ward has come from Edmundton to Hamilton for a visit at her old home.

'07 Margaret Anderson, after spending her holidays here, returned to her Y. W. C. A. work in Vancouver.

'07 Mabel Grubbe Steele has a baby boy born Oct. 2.

'07 Mabel Millman was married Sept. 24 to Dr. C. M. Hincks,  $\Psi\Delta\Psi$ .

'09-ex Jessie McCurdy has returned home from a three year's trip abroad.

- '10 Marion Coats was married Sept. 18 to James Arthur Sutherland.
- '10 Kathleen MacAllister was married Sept. 25 to John Lang, '06.
- '10-ex Hazel Stevens Kemp has a baby girl born last month in England.
- '10-ex Dora Mavor is playing in a stock company in Ottawa.
- '11 Mary Kentner is teaching in Red Deer, Alberta.
- '11 Alice Ball is attending the Faculty of education.
- '12 Blanche Steele is secretary of a school in Georgia state.
- '14 & '15 Mildred Macpherson and Jean Scott are out of college this year, but will return next year.

#### TAU—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

The new institution of sophomore pledging did not alter Tau's rush for desirable upperclassmen this year. We now have three splendid new girls. Besides these, we are glad to welcome Margie Hurlbut of Psi, who has transferred from Wisconsin to our school of oratory.

Among our rushing parties, which were entirely informal this year, was a matinée afternoon. The performance consisted of comedy in vaudeville, and tragedy behind scenes in the fact that the star had a toothache, and the curtains refused to work. The refreshments were served at small tables in the dining room, which had been converted by signs, into the college ice cream parlor; and the orders were given from little handpainted menu cards.

Ten of us are together this year in Willard hall, eleven counting Miss Blanchard, Eta, who is taking Dean Potter's place for the year.

We are very proud of Helen Crawley. She is one of our seniors, and this year seems to lean very strongly towards presidencies. She holds that office in the Helen club, a college organization of girls by that name; is president of the Anonian literary society; also of Epsilon Kappa, the senior sorority; and moreover is running for vice-president of the class. Pretty good, we think.

So far, the only college functions have been the big joint reception given by the Young Men's and the Young Women's Christian association and the Young Women's Christian association banquet for the new girls. College work, however, is well started and we are all hoping to make this a successful year in every way.

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*Margaret Wilcox*

- '14-ex Ruth Wait is studying domestic science in Detroit.
- '14-ex Helen Chapman is studying at the National kindergarten college.
- '15-ex Verna Minch is studying at the Cosmopolitan school of music, Chicago.
- '11 Married, June 26, Mabel Kelsey and Lawrence Evans De Vore. Address: 107 Vernon court, Crawfordsville, Ind.
- '06-ex Our sympathy goes to Catherine Wilson whose mother died the past summer.
- Sarah Dodridge is now Mrs Jesse H. Seitz. Address: 208 Cherry st. Mount Carmel, Ill.
- Mary Ross Potter, Northwestern university dean of women, has one year's leave of absence, and is studying at Geneva university, Switzerland.
- '12 Lucy Williams is teaching English in the high school at Clinton, Ill. She spent the summer abroad.
- '08 Married, May 28, Gertrude Curme and Everett Eugene Bragg, Σ N. Address: 7201 Champlain ave. Chicago.
- '12 Daisy Bently has announced her engagement to Claude E. Morrison of San Diego, Cal.
- '12 Ruth Ward has announced her engagement to Clarence Boswell, Σ A E. She sailed for Europe immediately after commencement and is now in Ayr, Scotland.
- '13-ex Jean Guernsy has announced her engagement to Benjamin Young.

## UPSILON—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

The first few weeks of a new college year have been alive with renewed interest and activity. The last rushing season in Upsilon's history is over, and from this year on, we shall look forward to a sophomore pledge day. We rejoice in our seven new pledges.

We are glad of our freshman, but find it difficult to become reconciled to the loss of three seniors. Dorothy Loyhed, at commencement exercises last June, was voted the most popular girl on the campus, and lacked but one vote of being the prettiest girl. With loyal stubbornness, however, we vote her the most "beautiful girl," and pride ourselves on the subtle distinction. Jean Hutchinson and Helen Rogers are the other two seniors whose loss the chapter mourns. All three seniors were members of Sigma Tau, an honorary senior sorority.

Minnesota is happy in her choice of a new Dean of women, Dr. Margaret L. Sweeney, who comes to us from Adelphi college, Brook-

lyn, New York. If student rumor be worth credit, her charms are unanimously admitted.

Upsilon counts herself fortunate this fall in her adoptions from other chapters. Hazel Lotze from Alpha Rho, and Ella C. Pine from Lambda, have taken up permanent residences in Minneapolis, the former teaching English in East high school and the later, domestic science, in Minnesota's agricultural college. Blanche Daley comes to us a pledge from Alpha Pi, where pledge day comes in the spring and initiation as sophomores in the fall.

October 5 is the date set for our week-end frolic at Lake Minnetonka. It will be fun to brush off the formalities of recent rushing and entertain our freshmen in true Theta style. We have had some wonderful autumn days so far and are hoping for more. We hope to sing, "October's bright blue weather," by day, and "When the harvest moon is shining," by night. Besides, there is football to think of; so the weather must continue. Minnesota lost her first game to South Dakota, September 8. "Where, oh Where, are our football stars gone," is what we are singing now, when we recall last year's glories.

3 October 1912

*Luella M. Bussey.*

All members of Upsilon will feel sorrow over the death of Mr Frank M. Joyce. Mrs Joyce and Caroline Joyce have moved from their home and taken apartments at the Leamington for the winter.

'92 Mrs E. A. Nickerson (Frix Rexford) and family are touring in Europe.

'93 Born to Mr and Mrs Fred M. Fling (Helene Dresser) a son.

'95-ex Harriet Jackson Burch (Mrs E. P.) has returned from a year in Europe.

'95 Katherine Jackson Burch (Mrs Frank E.) is abroad with Dr. Burch.

'97 Helen Woodman Wadsworth (Mrs Robert) and Alice Woodman have the sympathy of Thetas in the death of their father.

'99-ex Charlotte Van Cleve Hall visited in Minneapolis during October when returning from Europe.

'00-ex Sophie Williams Small has accepted the position of chaperon at Church hall, Valley City, N. Dak.

'01-ex Born to Mr and Mrs Leo J. Carney (Franta Soule) a son. Address: Mankato, Minn.

'01 Born to Mr and Mrs Russell Spicer (Margaret Moore) a son.

'01 Blanche Stanford Bissell (Mrs F. S.) visited her sister Nell Stanford Fernald (Mrs Frank) in Los Angeles in July.

'03-ex Born to Mr and Mrs Arthur Harrison Brown (Nell Kenney) a son, Kenneth Wright Brown, on July 10, 1912, at Brookline, Mass.

'04 Bess Scripture is taking the course in library training at Albany.

'05 Born to Mr and Mrs Albert Gregory Schneiderhan (Eugenie Lamphere) a son. Address: 226 Harvard st. Minneapolis.

'06 Adelaide Lamphere was married, August 14 to Mr Charles Alfred Livengood. Address: Dayton, Wash.

'06 Born to Mr and Mrs Leroy J. Boughner (Genevieve Jackson) a son, Jackson Leroy, July 6.

'09 Born to Mr and Mrs Harold Porter (Edith Knowlton) a daughter, Frances, July 19.

'11 Helen Joyce was married June 20 to Malcolm Grant. Address: 2219 Pleasant ave. Minneapolis.

'11 Ruth Fuller has returned from a year's study abroad and is to study art in Chicago this winter.

'12-ex Marjory Lovejoy has gone to Santiago, Chili to take charge of the physical culture department at Santiago college.

'12-ex Mr and Mrs Robert Saxton (Audrey Homan) have moved to Denver.

'03 Mr and Mrs George S. Wheaton (Alice Jackson) have returned from Harve, Mont. and their present address is 2294 Commonwealth ave. St. Paul. Elinor Jones has returned to Smith college as a senior.

Maidie Traver Stockton (Mrs Murray) is visiting her parents and sisters in Hartford, Conn.

Mr and Mrs Lynn Farnum (Mary Holliday) have moved to 463-15th st. Edmundton, Alberta.

The sympathy of their Theta sisters is given to Harriet Watson Allen and Florence Watson in the death of their father.

'07 Born, June 14, 1912 to Mr and Mrs J. F. Reimbold (Louise Chapman) a daughter, Mary Louise.

'09 Jane Machen will spend the winter in California.

'12 Dorothy Loyhed is teaching English in the Agricultural school of the University of Minnesota.

'12 Jean Hutchinson is teaching Latin in the high school in Faribault.

'12-ex Beatrice Gruman announces her engagement to Mylo Phillips of Minneapolis.

'13-ex Arlene Webster visited Minneapolis for a few days in Sept.

'14-ex Margaret Kelly is attending the University of Southern California this year.

Upsilon has been glad to welcome the following visitors from other chapters: Mrs Bertha Baird and Mrs Margaret Major Castle (Mrs Sidney L.), Delta; Miss Ella Pine, Lambda, who is teaching in the College of agriculture;

Miss Van Stock, a teacher in the West high school; Miss Elva Bascom, Mu and Alpha Gamma alumnae, Editor of the A. L. A. Booklist; Mrs Jessie Beale Magaw (Mrs W. L.), Beta; Hazel Lotze, Alpha Rho, who is teaching in East high school and living in our chapter house; and Mrs Lora Hunt Bell (Mrs Blake), Tau and Psi alumnae.

'05-ex The engagement is announced of Evelyn Perkins and Frank Sutton. The wedding will occur early in November and the honeymoon is to be spent in California.

'11 Ruth Fuller is home from a year's study abroad and is continuing her art studies in Chicago. Address: 222 Ashland Boulevard.

'95-ex Mr and Mrs George Taylor Plowman (Maude Bell) have been abroad for a year. Mr Plowman has been studying etching.

'99 Foi Hotchkiss Fitch (Mrs Lester) visited Mary Van Cleve recently and attended a meeting of Beta alumnae.

'02-ex Marion Chapman is at home in St. Paul for the winter.

'07-ex Clare Vidger Copeland (Mrs Fred) renewed friendships with Thetas of Minneapolis recently. Address: Bismark, North Dakota.

'07-ex Born to Mr and Mrs Frank Fernald (Nell Stanford) a son on September 10, Osborne Fernald.

#### PHI—STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Phi greets her sister chapters with news of a very successful rushing season. With eight women's fraternities here, we rushed only against Kappa Kappa Gamma. After four weeks of strenuous entertaining, we pledged seven fine freshmen. Considering the size of our chapter—twenty-six girls returned this year—and the number of appreciative and appreciated alumnae (Hazel White, Grace Lavayea, Jean Meade, Kathryn Culver, Ray Hanna, and Winifred Millspaugh) who came back to rejuvenate, it is well that we took no more than the afore-mentioned seven, or the littlest freshman might have had to bring her own lunch-basket to our pledge dinner.

As of next importance, after announcing a new alumnae chapter at Stanford, I hasten to relate that our alumnae either brought with them, or sent during the summer, sufficient contributions to re-establish our childhood belief in dreams, for we have actually those longed-for new chandeliers all over the house.

One of our juniors too has a new acquisition. Several weeks ago, on a night when the freshmen were dining at home, we beheld upon the dining room door a huge placard requesting us to keep out.

And when in the course of time the gong sounded and the door opened, there presented itself to our gaze a table decorated to a more fervid pitch than any rushing banquet ever dreamed of, and Elsa Hempl '14, announced her engagement to Frank Hill, formerly of Stanford. This robbed senior breakfast of its rightful due, but dramatics generally contributed heavily to college romances and our chapter has suddenly developed a remarkable propensity for theatraclals. In Oscar Wilde's "Ideal husband," presented recently by the English club, two Thetas, Carol Green, and Elizabeth Taff, had leading parts.

With news of a harmless but mentally disturbing earthquake at Stanford the other day, we close by wishing all our sisters a very merry Christmas.

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*Gladys Briggs.*

'95 Catherine Nash Thomas (Mrs Carl), her husband and two sons, have returned from a fifteen months tour of Europe. Address: 166 Prospect ave. University Heights, Madison, Wis.

'95 This sympathy is with Lucy Allabach whose father died suddenly on April 23, 1912.

'04 Born, June 11, 1912, to Mr and Mrs David C. Cook, Jr. (Frances Kerr) a son, David C. Cook, Ill. Frances also has two small daughters. Address: 212 Grant ave. Elgin, Ill.

'05-ex Born to Mr and Mrs Norman Lawler (Clara Smith) a daughter, on Aug. 6.

'06 Born, Mar. 17, 1912, to Mr and Mrs F. H. Fowler (Elsie Branner) a son, John Branner. Address: 221 Kingsley ave. Palo Alto, Cal.

'06 Married, June 27, 1912, Mary Thornley Graham to David Prewitt, at Pomona, Cal. Mr and Mrs Prewitt were at home after Aug. 1 at Dunreath, Winchester, Ky.

'06-ex Born, Aug. 25, to Mr and Mrs John Wachtel, jr. (Katherine Clover) a daughter.

'08 Married, Aug. 20, 1912, Mary Hutchins and William Henry Thomas, Stanford '07. Address: Portland, Ore.

'09 Professor and Mrs R. L. Green announce the engagement of their daughter, Helen to Robert Cross, California '10.

'10 Born, to Mr and Mrs Tudor Tiedeman (Maybelle Barlow) a daughter, on Aug. 30.

'10-ex Born, Aug. 5, to Mr and Mrs Wright Coulter (Edna Barlow) a daughter.

'13-ex Born, Sept. 20, to Mr and Mrs Robt. Baker (Anne Nutt) a son.

Phi has welcomed three affiliates, Vera Davidson, Iota, Margaret Keiper and Elizabeth Ferguson, both of Alpha.

#### CHI—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Chi greets you all. We are very happy in our new home, twenty-two of us, with Mrs. Louise Wadsworth, a very charming woman, as chaperon. Josephine Buck and Edith Wiles are back in college this year, and Blanche Day-Allen, M. Esther Ball, and Mabel Kurtz spent rushing week with us.

Katherine M. Rowley and Rilla Parsons were initiated in May, so that our June banquet served as their initiation banquet. Lucille Baldwin Van Slyke, a really-truly celebrity, acted as toastmistress and was as delightful as her stories would lead one to expect. Our alumnae presented us with several pieces of cut glass and silver, as well as pictures, sofa pillows and so forth.

In May, Miss Abbie Potts, our District president, paid us a visit; we were only sorry that she could not be with us a month.

Mildred Baird, Ruth von E. Morrison and Rilla Parsons were among the forty-nine delegates sent by the university to Silver Bay this summer.

Marguerite Lux and Marguerite and Barbara Treat have just returned from Europe.

Chi wishes you might meet her thirteen pledges.

Seven hundred and twenty-eight Syracuse girls attended the Women's league meeting in June, at which Dean Richards announced that student government for the women would begin February 1, 1913. Ruth W. Fisher '13 presided at the meeting.

The Young Women's Christian association is beginning a Campfire movement among the Syracuse girls, as training for guardianship in similar groups.

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*E. Fern Manier*

'01 Floy Thomas-Rixon (Mrs Howard) attended the June reunion.

'02 LaVantia Russel Simmons (Mrs Fred) visited us at commencement.

'02 Lucile Baldwin Van Slyke (Mrs G. M.) has just issued a collection of stories of the Syrians in Brooklyn's poorer sections, under the title, *Eve's other children* (F. A. Stokes Co. \$1).

'02 Katherine Brundage Dean (Mrs W. C.) spent two days with us in June.

'03 Eva Smith and her mother are in Graham hall, a school for girls in Minneapolis, Minn.

'04 Grace Baird Hersey (Mrs. Roscoe) with her husband and children has sailed for China, after spending a year in this country.

'04 Gertrude Kemp Templeton (Mrs H. A.) was a recent visitor at the chapter house.

'04 Beatrice C. Throop stopped in this city on her way to New York, where she is to spend a year, studying music. Mary G. Clapp '12 is taking her place at Wayland academy, Beaver Dam, Wis.

'06 The engagement of Lila Rockwell to Ernest Dalton, an R. P. I. graduate, has been announced.

'07 Florence Wilson and Frank B. Leach were married April 17. Mr and Mrs Leach are living at Blodgett's Mills, N. Y.

'08 Marion I. Chappell is to be married Oct. 1, to Clyde Sykes, Φ K Ψ.

'10 Ellen T. Baird's new address is 28 Center st. Deposit, N. Y.

'10 Amy Hendricks, whose marriage to the Rev. Lumer Schafer, Δ Σ, Syracuse, Rutgers Theological seminary, occurred in June, visited the chapter house recently. Mr and Mrs Schafer sailed in October for Japan, where they will engage in missionary work. Address: care of Rev. D. C. Ruigh, Meiji Gakuin, Shirokane, Tokyo.

'11 Lillian Leonard was married in August to Charles Leonard, Ζ Ψ.

'11 Miss Holton, Tau, who is playing with the Sothern-Marlow company, recently visited us.

'12 Fanny Dexter is teaching at Marion, N. Y.

'12 Bessie Wands is teaching elocution at Glen Cove, L. I.

'12 Juna B. Hix is teaching in the Caledonia high school.

'12 Julia C. Lockwood has a position at Baldwinsville.

'13-ex Mr and Mrs Clyde Williamson (Gertrude White) have moved to Earlville, N. Y.

'13-ex Blanche H. Day was married July 10, to Robert Allen, Φ Δ Θ, Case college.

'14-ex Lois C. Jayne recently spent a few days at the chapter house.

'14-ex Hazel Hoag is teaching at Millerton, N. Y.

'14-ex Helen Antony Stephens is to be married to Earl Gregory Dexter Oct. 17. They will live in New York city.

#### PSI—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

A chapter of nineteen girls was on hand September 23, for the opening of rushing at Wisconsin. We were very glad to welcome Lucille Marshall of Alpha Nu, who has come to Wisconsin for graduate work and is to live in the house. Miss Pauline Shepard, Iota, who has been such a loyal and helpful chaperon to us, was

unable to come back this year, and Mrs. Faville of Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, is here in her place.

Psi has just finished a most pleasant and successful rushing week. This is the first year of sophomore pledging at Wisconsin, and we have been allowed to rush no freshmen this week. There has been, however, an unusual number of desirable sophomores, juniors, and seniors entering Wisconsin this year, and rushing has gone on with them just as it has formerly with freshmen. On Monday night we had a formal dinner and cotillion at the chapter house; on Tuesday noon, a progressive luncheon at the homes of some active and alumnae Thetas on University Heights; on Tuesday evening, a launch ride on Lake Mendota; and on Wednesday morning, breakfast at the house.

In regard to our freshmen of last year, the scholarship cup was awarded to Helen Pence, Madison, and Winifred Rettger, Terre Haute, both of whom did Psi credit by having an average of ninety-five for the year's work. Madge Woodward, South Bend, with an average of ninety-two, although not so high, certainly deserves honorable mention. We hope that later we may have equally good reports to make of our new pledges.

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*Ada Pence*

We had with us at commencement time for the banquet: '94 Gertrude Eager, '95 Juliet Harris Brigance (Mrs D.), '99 Laura Sceets Gill (Mrs Thos.), '00 Mabel Stuart Knapp (Mrs W. G.) and Molly Strong, '07 Mrs Dorothy White Sanford, '09 Elva Caradine, '10 Ethel Taylor and Erma Wohlenberg.

'97 Alice Jones Davis (Mrs —————) of Minneapolis was in Madison this summer.

'98 Alice Carlton Meyer (Mrs B. H.) was in Madison the last of Sept.

'98 Kate Graham of Milwaukee visited Mrs Blanche Harper at Madison in Aug.

'02 Kittie Button Payne (Mrs J. D.) of Chicago was in Madison shortly after the banquet, and again at the opening of college this fall.

'05 Mrs Madge Parker Gilman was in Madison for Alpha Gamma alumnae's first meeting, Oct. 12.

'05 Jean Donaldson was married in Aug. to Mr Geo. Martin of Fargo, N. Dak.

'06 Elise Dexter and Frances McIntosh, returned in Sept. from a trip abroad. Elise has returned to her former position in Beloit, and Frances to hers in Grand Rapids, Mich.

'06 Marjory Johnson has gone to Pullman, Wash. where she is to be assistant Dean of women at the State agricultural college.

'07 Bess Hastings was in Madison in the spring.

'07 Dorothy White Sanford (Mrs H. B.) has left for a two years' stay in China, where Professor Sanford has accepted a position in the Chinese national institution.

'07 Helen Gilman has a position in the State historical library this year.

'08 Ethel Sabin has returned to Hollidaysburg, Pa. to teach in Miss Cole's school for girls.

'08 Florence Brown was married Sept. 6 to Leon Dexter Batchelor. They will live in Logan, Utah.

'09 Marion G. Peabody received an M. A. in history from the University of Wisconsin in June. She is now at her home in Madison.

'09 Ora Williams was in Madison the month of Aug.

'10 Anna Shepard has returned from a trip abroad, and is with her brother in New Rochelle, N. Y.

'10 Helen Hutchison has resigned her position in Columbus, Wis. and is at home in Madison.

'10 Edna Hughes Bryant (Mrs Harvey) has a son, born in July.

'10 Ethel Rose Taylor, who is teaching in Sun Prairie, was in Madison the last of Sept.

'10 Marjorie Strong was in Madison Sept. 20.

'11-ex Adah Fritz Coleman (Mrs Alfred) died in Sept. at her home in Copper Cliffs, Ontario as the result of burns from the explosion of an alcohol lamp. Psi chapter and her alumnae feel deeply the loss of this beloved sister.

'11 Hester Jacobs and Hester Harper are teaching in De Pere, Wis.

'11 Katherine Wright is teaching in Gwinne, Mich.

'11-ex Marguerite McConville is teaching in Rugby, N. Dak.

'12 Edith Moore is teaching in De Forest, Wis. She was in Madison the week end of Sept. 22, and is planning to return in a short time.

'12 Olive Simpson was in Madison the last of Aug. She will be in Shullsburg for the winter, and will soon visit Psi.

'12 Hazel Josten is substituting in the La Crosse schools.

'12 Leila Peacock is at her home in Oconomowoc this year.

'12 Florence Swetting is teaching in West De Pere.

'13-ex Margie Hurlbut has entered Northwestern university, where she will attend the Cumnock school of oratory.

'13-ex Elizabeth Goe was in Madison the last of Sept.

'13-ex Jessie Bonar did not return to Wisconsin this fall, but will spend the year at her home in Streator, Ill.

'13-ex Nellie Finney was married in June to Mr Arthur Church.

'15-ex Hilda Mingle is attending a normal school near her home in Daleville, Ind.

'15 Madge Woodward, South Bend, is unable to attend college this year on account of trouble with her eyes.

In Wisconsin summer school this year were Charlotte Bissell '03 Eta, and Reta Monteith '14 and Dorothy Nicholson '15 of Alpha Iota. Psi's Madison girls were delighted to become acquainted with these Thetas from other chapters and hope to meet still more next year.

#### OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Greetings to our sister chapters! We have had a very successful rushing season, for the end of the first two college weeks saw our eleven invitations accepted, and on August 30 we added eleven freshmen names to our chapter roll.

Omega has this term adopted a new measure—a board of control, consisting of three seniors living in the house, has been established, and before this board are to be brought affairs of either social or scholastic nature which need adjusting: i. e. scholarship or the breaking of house rules. The most important of the house rules are: 1. Every girl must leave word when she is to be absent from a meal; she must leave address and telephone number if she intends to spend the night away from the house. 2. All callers must leave by 10:30. 3. The piano shall not be played after 8 P. M. 4. No ragtime shall be played on Sunday. 5. No freshman shall go out or have callers on more than one night in the week. 6. No girl shall go unchaperoned (unless there are more than two in the party) to the theater in San Francisco.

The adjoining lot which we purchased through the efforts of our alumnae, has been beautified by lawn, shrubs and flowers and is connected with the dining room porch by a brick paved pergola which adds greatly to the attractiveness of our new possession.

It is interesting to note the number of fraternity houses which have been and are being built. Psi Upsilon has recently moved into their new \$60,000 home; Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Sigma Chi and Phi Gamma Delta, all new, are within a block and a half radius from us.

A national charter of Sigma Phi has been granted to the La Junta club.

This term college events crowd closely together—the freshman

and the Pajamarino rallies have taken place with a great deal of noise and fun. On October 4, the Associated women students give a Japanese afternoon to the freshmen women; October 5, the women's musical organization, Treble Clef, produces The Campus—Constance Davis '13 has a leading part; October 11, Sports and Pastimes, representing all branches of women's athletics, will have a "Spook soiree" and all attending must come mysteriously garbed.

Sherwood by Alfred Noyes, a play of Robin Hood and Maid Marian, is to be presented by the English club, October 12. Clotilde Grunsky '14 plays Titania, Queen of the fairies. Instead of the Greek Theater, a grassy hollow under the oaks near the Faculty Club has been chosen for the setting, as Robin Hood would be sadly lost without his "guid green woods."

2 October 1912

Constance Davis

'08 Pearle Chase graduated in June from the Santa Barbara state normal school of manual arts and home economics. She visited Omega in Sept. after a holiday spent at Del Monte.

'08 Born to Mr and Mrs C. Whitmore (Elma Edwards) in June, a daughter.

'10 & '11 Edith and Ruth Slacit have returned from abroad to their home in San Francisco.

'12 Alice Earle was married Aug. 28 to Beverley Wilder '12-ex, X Ψ.

'12 Agnes Welsh announced her engagement to Maurice Harrison '10, Φ K Σ.

'12 May Chase is working with the Affiliated charities in San Francisco.

'12 Caroline Smedley, Alpha Beta, is studying medicine here.

'12-ex Helen Eames has returned from abroad.

'13-ex Margaret Powell and Pauline Fithian (Mrs W. B. Watson) '13-ex, are traveling together in Europe.

'13-ex Miriam Clapp Bennett (Mrs R. D.) is visiting her family in Berkeley.

'13-ex Alice Hicks was married in Scotland in Feb. to Erwin Muma '01.

'14 Dorothea White has announced her engagement to Morris Allen '11, Harvard, Δ T.

Grace Lavaya, our District president, visited us during initiation. Elizabeth Keller visited us in Sept.

#### ALPHA BETA—SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

Last spring we strove strenuously to gain sophomore pledge day. The three other fraternities, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, and

Delta Gamma, stood against us, and therefore Swarthmore will again try six weeks of rushing. We were forced to concede our ideal pledging date, but in return were given the privilege of making practically all the rushing rules. At commencement Carolyn Smedley won the Lucretia Mott Fellowship and membership to Phi Beta Kappa, Anna White was Ivy Poet, the other Alpha Betas graduating were Amy Baker, Mary Osgood, Mildred Hoadley.

Our annual House party was held in June at the Engleside, Beach Haven, New Jersey. We invited the parents of the active chapters for we wanted to really know our Theta mothers and fathers. It was a most successful plan for about twelve jolly grown-ups added to our pleasures over Sunday and two or three stayed the entire week. Two of our chapter then joined the convention of the Young Women's Christian association at Eagles Mere, where there were eighteen Swarthmoreans. Their glowing accounts make us anxious to know more Theta sisters from other chapters, and we look forward to when we shall meet them in New York. Please! Oh, everybody get excited about the 1913 Convention and keep us company!

This college year brought all but three of us back. We found a new, light annex to the dining room, two new swimming pools, and a verdant freshman class, with an enrollment of sixty-six boys and sixty-three girls. As yet we have had little time for parties with freshmen, but on September 25 we celebrated our chapter's twenty-second birthday. Each Theta brought something she had made or bought in the summer for the chapter room. Do come see the improvements!

25 September 1912

*Marjorie M. R. Gideon*

'97 Lydia Williams Roberts (Mrs Walter) has moved from Riverton, N. J. to Moylan, Pa.

'06 Mary Cranston was married Sept. 22 to Thomas Hodges, Swarthmore '04.

'06 Carolyn Washburn was married to Henry H. Wells, July 9 at Chautauqua, N. Y.

'06 Mary Janney has been traveling abroad.

'09 Anne Bunting has announced her engagement to James Lamb, Δ Υ, Swarthmore '10.

'09 Carolyn Atkinson was married June 27 to Newel Alfred, Δ Υ, Swarthmore '10 at Earlington, Ky.

'10 Born, to Mr and Mrs E. M. Bassett (Ellie Simons) a daughter, Kathryn, Sept. 19. Mr and Mrs Bassett are living at 315 N. Chester rd. Swarthmore, Pa.

'11 Margaret Broomell is teaching this year at the Germantown Friends school, Philadelphia, Pa.

'12-ex Alice E. Masten was married Sept. 17 to H. Lawrence Beecher, ΦΣΚ, Swarthmore '10. New address: Olney st. Indianapolis, Ind.

'12 Carolyn Smedley is studying medicine at the University of California, Berkeley, Cal.

'12 Amy Baker and Mary Osgood are studying at Drexel, Philadelphia, Pa.

We were very glad to have Marjorie Day and Lou Pennington, Alpha Delta, visit us at Swarthmore, Sept. 20-21.

#### ALPHA GAMMA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Alpha Gamma has entered upon a new college year with nine active members and one pledge, Frances Nichol, a junior. Because of our small enrollment we hope to be bound more closely together than ever.

This year the women's fraternities will have an opportunity to try second semester pledging. According to Panhellenic rules there is to be no rushing during the first semester other than calling on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. From February 7 to 17, there will be unlimited rushing with the exception of slumber parties. The invitations will be sent out February 18. Much interest is shown by members of the faculty and also by the student body in regard to the ability of the women to keep these rules.

At last Ohio State has a Dean of women. She is Miss Caroline Breyfogle, a graduate of Chicago university and an instructor at Wellesley for the past five years. She has been most heartily welcomed and has already won many friends among the girls.

On September 24, the Young Women's Christian association entertained with a reception on President and Mrs. Thompson's lawn, honoring Dean Breyfogle and the new women students.

29 September 1912

Ruth Sigrist

'08-ex Jane Huntington was married in May to Mr. Hugh McCauley Bone, BΘΠ. They are at home on Bryden rd. Columbus, Ohio.

Clara Luse Scott (Mrs Herbert) accompanied her sister, Edna Luse McCloskey (Mrs William) to her home in Brazil, S. A.

Elizabeth Chamberlain Rounsvell (Mrs Warren D.) is living at No. 1814 First ave. Spokane, Wash.

'10-ex Vesta Stephan was married Sept. 18 to Dr. Eugene Beem. They will live in Mundsville, W. Va.

'10-ex Mary May will be married Oct. 8 to Fred Ackley, ΦΓΔ. Address: cor. Auburn and Delaware aves. Toledo, Ohio.

'12 Josephine Matthews is doing Agricultural extension work in Columbus, Ohio.

'13-ex Ruth Huntington will be married Oct. 9 to William Arthur Carlile, Σ X. They will live in Columbus, Ohio.

'14-ex Lulu Thomas has accepted a position at Harcourt seminary, Gambier, Ohio.

'14 Helen Guy who attended Western Reserve university last year has returned to Ohio State.

'06 Married, in June, Alice Thacker and L. E. Morris. Address: 1531 Hawthorne ave. Columbus, Ohio.

'15-ex Ruth Horton is teaching near Linden Heights, Ohio.

'15-ex Florence Harvey is taking a course in dietetics at Battle Creek, Mich.

#### ALPHA DELTA—GOUCHER COLLEGE

Mainly as a result of Theta's untiring efforts, Goucher has gone this year into the ranks of the progressives and is experimenting with sophomore pledging. Pledge day is set for the first Saturday after matriculation, Monday 1913; and there is no rule except that "no fraternity nor fraternity member may entertain exclusively for freshmen." Unusual good-will exists among the eight fraternities and an evident desire prevails to direct the energies hitherto used in rushing, towards promoting a broader democratic spirit.

The trustees have, so far, failed to find a president for the college—a source of considerable disappointment to the student body. But, on the other hand, their removal of the restriction which prevented attendance on the theaters has caused much rejoicing, for it is the privilege of a life-time to the many girls from small towns to see the excellent plays which visit Baltimore.

With this encouragement it is now hoped that the restriction concerning attending dances with men will soon be removed, and that thus a social intercourse may be fostered between Goucher and Johns Hopkins university. Hopkins is completely rebuilding on a beautiful campus only a short distance from Goucher, and it is expected that

the addition of dormitories will greatly increase its number of students and its social activities.

The movement which began last spring to secure one million dollars for the general improvement of Goucher is expected to create enthusiasm that will bring it to a successful culmination during the early winter.

Even without any freshmen, our chapter numbers seventeen, the seventeenth being Frances Page, Alpha Nu '15, whom we have gladly affiliated with us. We are planning to take advantage of the non-rushing this year by entertaining our fraternity and non-fraternity friends, and by growing to know one another more intimately.

1 October 1912

Dorothy Davis

'97 Emma Weeks Chispin (Mrs F. M.) and Emma Blake, M. D., of Philadelphia, charter members of Alpha Delta, attended our June party. Mrs Crispin also returned for our annual house-party with her husband, mother-in-law and father-in-law.

'04 Born, June 11, 1912, to Mr and Mrs D. C. Cook, Jr. (Frances Kerr) a son, David C. Cook, III. Mrs Cook has also two little daughters and lives at 212 Grant ave. Elgin, Ill.

'05-ex Jean Kirlin came from her home in Indianapolis to attend our house-party.

'97 Marian Pitts of Warwick, N. Y. returned for our house-party.

'07 Edith Sprowles of Frankford, Pa. attended our June party.

'09 Born, Sept. 15, to Mr and Mrs H. C. Erwin (Lucy Yancey) a daughter, Lucy Dewpree.

'10 Meta McClelland spent the summer traveling with her family in Scotland.

'11 Grace Bennett took a course in gymnasium at Chautauqua, N. Y. last summer, and is now gymnasium teacher at St. Timothy's school, Catonsville, Md.

'11 Ruth Taylor is again laboratory assistant in physics and chemistry at the Eastern high school, Baltimore. During the summer she visited Emma Gregg '09, and Frances Clarke '13 of Atlanta, and Allegra Covey '11 of Farmers City, Ill.

'12 Eleanor Hopkins has been made laboratory assistant in physics at Goucher.

'12 Alma Jagger visited Lucy Yancey Erwin of Athens, Ga. and Frances Clarke and Emma Gregg of Atlanta during June and July.

'09 Born, Sept. 15, to Mr and Mrs Howell Erwin (Lucy Yancey) a daughter, Lucy Dupree.

'12-ex Winifred Kavanaugh has announced her engagement to Dr Herman Kraus of Berlin, Germany.

- '12 Alma Jagger is doing Charity Organization work in New York city.  
 '07 Lucile Locke has announced her engagement to John Fletcher White of Los Angeles, Cal.

## ALPHA EPSILON

'08-ex Born, Sept. 7, 1912, to Mr and Mrs Edmund B. Delabarre (Dorothea E. Cotton) a daughter, Barbara Melville.

'12 Married at Crescent Beach, Conn. July 22, 1912, Clarice Emily Ryther to J. Paul Kaufman, Yale '09, Harvard '12. Mr Kaufman will be the Harvard lecturer at Bordeaux, France, during 1912-13, where Mr and Mrs Kaufman will be at home after Nov. 1, 1912.

## ALPHA ZETA—BARNARD COLLEGE

Letter not on hand, October 20, 1912.

## ALPHA ETA—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

Eleven of us returned this fall and have been kept very busy the last two weeks with our freshmen. This year we had matriculation pledging, so we had little time for rushing. We gave a tea for all the freshmen, and a luncheon for the pledges and the undecided ones.

We have five new would-be Thetas to introduce to you, all of whom are Nashville girls.

I am sure you will be interested in knowing that Florence Teague won Founders' medal for 1912. This makes the fifth Theta who has won this medal.

Here's hoping you have all had as good luck as we in your pledging and that the year may be a happy one.

27 September 1912

*Mary Jo Harwell*

Elaine Jones's new address is 9 Concord ave. Cambridge, Mass.  
 '06-ex Daisy Hemphill Tuttle spent the summer in Nashville with her parents.

'03 Nona Murrell Kipp after a year abroad has returned to her home in Nashville.

'03 Monnell Pride Craig, after spending the summer in Atlantic City, has returned to Nashville.

'05 Laura Hayes spent the summer in New York. En route she visited Louise Bang Fisher. She is now teaching in Normal University, Normal, Ill.

'04 Penelope McDuffie is teaching at Ward's seminary.

'04 Roberta Dubose, at the recent Y. W. C. A. convention in Asheville,

N. C. was appointed student secretary for the states of Ala., Tenn., Ky. and Miss.

'03 Margery Ezell spent her vacation with Stella Scott Vaughn on the Vanderbilt campus.

'03-'04 Flora Steele attended Alpha Eta's house-party in June.

'01 Martha Maney recently lost a little girl. Alpha Eta sympathizes deeply in her loss.

'02 Madge Cannon Smith has gone to Clinton, Ky. where her husband has charge of a training school.

'05 Maria H. Mason met with a very serious accident, double fracture of her elbow, this summer. She is back at Martin college, Pulaski, Tenn. although her arm is still useless.

'07 Annie Mason was married in June to Mr W. E. Tuttle of 802 South Limestone st. Springfield, Ohio.

'09-ex Clara Smith is teaching in Clinton, Ky.

'08 Nannie Moore, after three delightful months abroad, has returned to MacKenzie, Tenn.

'08 Elizabeth Young has announced her engagement to Dr. E. P. Coppedge of Cleveland, Ohio.

'11 Eleanor Richardson spent the summer east.

'12-ex Elaine Jones was at Alpha Eta's house-party in June and afterwards visited in Memphis.

'09 Nannie Lewis spent the summer abroad.

'12 Lamar Ryals visited in Nashville during the rushing season.

'12 Rose Tate, who is teaching in her father's school, was here during the rushing season.

'11 Mattie May Morgan is teaching in the high school in Knoxville, Tenn.

'11 Frances McLester will attend Teacher's college, New York, this year.

'14-ex Margaret Slemmons is teaching in Palmira, Mo.

'15 Mary Jo Harwell is back in college this year.

'11 Louise Young is teaching in St. Mary's, Memphis, Tenn.

'13-ex Mary Branham is back in college.

'14-ex Wilma Keith is at Barnard this year.

'15-ex Frances Slemmons has a private school at Ridgetop, Tenn.

'14-ex Louise Adamson is still in Ky. visiting her aunt.

#### ALPHA THETA—TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY

Rushing began earlier this year, not through any change of the catalogue but because of the increasing wisdom of the freshmen in regard to fraternities. Whereas the freshmen used to arrive Wednesday, they now come, by the dozens, on Sunday and Monday, and their

arrival means the beginning of rush parties. We are happy now that it is over, happiest of all because of the nine fine pledges of whom we boast. Best of all, they are all four years girls, except two, who entered as sophomores.

A few of the alumnae were back for the rush and by their presence and enthusiasm helped us wonderfully. Our District president, Ethel Sykes, was with us, fresh from a summer in Canada and the rushing season of Delta. There were also here, Mrs. Anita Evans of Galveston, Kate Flack of Llano, Maidel Baker and Mary Agnes Wahrenberger, seniors last year; and Alice Bird, an initiate of last year.

We have a new chaperon this year, Mrs. Pearson of Richmond, mother of one of our pledges. We are congratulated on every side in having been so fortunate as to secure such a charming chaperon. Except for this change and the loss of a number of last years girls we are situated about the same and still live in the big house on Whitis avenue.

3 October 1912

*Aileen Sykes*

- '11 Marguerite Calfee is now assistant registrar in Texas university.
- '15-ex Alice Otis Bird has moved from Galveston to Natchez, Miss.
- '05 Lillie Bess Campbell is the Assistant Dean of women in the University of Wisconsin.
- '12 Christine Schott and Margaret Williams are teaching in Hereford, Tex.
- '12 Stella Tompkins was married this past summer to Phillip Pearce of Oklahoma City.
- '12-ex Jean Figh will spend the winter in Colorado, Tex.
- '11 Mary Speer is the instructor in economics and English in Kid-Key college at Sherman.
- '14-ex Bernadine Field is teaching this year in Calvert.
- '15-ex Flossie Wilson is now society editor of the Dallas *News*.
- '15-ex Harriet Ellis is teaching in the El Paso public schools.
- '11-ex Anne Thornton spent the summer in California.
- '08 Ethel Rather will be in Austin this winter in their beautiful new home.
- '14-ex Louise Adams is teaching in Marshall.
- '13-ex Lynne Wooten is instructor in modern languages in the Mary Connor college of Paris, Tex.
- '14-ex Lucile Davis is teaching in Center, Tex.
- '15-ex Martha Harris was married this past summer to Allan Burtschell of San Antonio.

'08-ex A daughter, Mary Frances, was born last May to Mr and Mrs Frank Kiley (Myrtle Garrett).

'08 Grace Nash after spending the summer in the Young Women's Christian association training school, New York city, has gone to the University of Colorado as the college Y. W. C. A. secretary. Psi chapter regrets her absence from Wisconsin very sincerely.

#### ALPHA IOTA—WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Washington university sincerely regrets the loss of Dean Marshall S. Snow who resigned last year. He has been connected with the university for forty-two years and we feel that henceforth, although he is not enrolled in the college faculty, he will ever be our friend and adviser. Professor Frederick Hall is now dean of the college. To fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Miss Lucy E. Smith, Miss Martha G. McCaulley (A. B. '92, M. A. '97 Wellesley college; Ph. D. '12 Pennsylvania) has been appointed Dean of women. Miss Sprague is a new instructor in the English department. Mr. Robt. A. Hall, Ph. D., from the University of North Carolina, is a new assistant professor in chemistry. In the department of history, Mr. Harrison Clifford Dale (A. B. 1907, M. A. 1908, Harvard) comes from the Agricultural college of Utah as an instructor.

Only eleven active Thetas returned to school this year. However, three of the 1910 graduates, Ann Fisher, Marie Davis, Patti Clayton, are taking a few courses, and Miss Mary Cummings has returned with all her animation which inspired us so much last year. Then there are our pledges.

Alpha Iota wishes that all her Theta sisters might be with her this week to rejoice in her success. On pledge day, September 26, we gave thirteen invitations and received thirteen enthusiastic affirmative replies. Since then we have pledged another freshman. Our prudent older sisters may think that Alpha Iota has been over-enthusiastic this year and has been bidding rashly, disregarding the conservatism which we so strongly uphold. However, our fourteen pledges are without doubt the pick of the freshmen, who will be strong Thetas and good students. Furthermore, last year when our chapter was small, we felt that, although we were not weak, many

of our troubles might have been avoided had our chapter been larger.

In the first week of the college year Theta has already shone on the honor roll. The senior, junior, and freshman vice-presidents, the freshman secretary, and all the women on the *Hatchet* (year book) board are Thetas.

The first social event of the year will be an informal Panhellenic tea, October 5, in honor of Miss McCaulley.

4 October 1912

*Emma Thuener*

- '12 Louise Wenzel is doing extension work for Y. W. C. A.
- '12 Alice Miller is teaching Latin and English at Hosmer hall.
- '12 Frances Clayton is teaching at Danville, Ill.
- '12 Elizabeth Evans is teaching in the high school at Jefferson City, Mo.
- '12 Julia Brookes is at leisure at present.
- '12 Marjorie Schroeder is tutoring and teaching music.

#### ALPHA KAPPA—ADELPHI COLLEGE

After a very happy vacation, which seemed too short for most of us, we resumed our work at Adelphi college, September 29. We were sorry to lose two of our sisters, Laura Haugaard and Evelyn Thompson, who always took such an active part in both college and fraternity life. They have gone to Smith college to complete their course.

The college elections for class officers have just been held and they were certainly very exciting. We were especially interested in the sophomore class because a Theta, Mabel Marine, ran for the presidency and we are proud to say she was elected.

We are very busy at present planning rush parties for the freshmen. A meeting of Panhellenic was held last week and it was decided to limit the fraternities to a banquet and two small parties for the freshmen. Our first party will take place next week and we do hope it will be a great success.

12 October 1912

*Marguerite Behman*

- '09 Edna Stoughton was married to Mr Hugh Conover, Oct. 5. They will make their home in Cleveland, Ohio.

## ALPHA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

After a vacation filled with good times Alpha Lambda began the college year with fourteen active girls, every one filled with enthusiasm to make the most possible of this year in college, and every one bringing new plans of her own for the year. Rushing, as usual, was the first thing to grasp our attention, and, by the time our two weeks' season was over, we all felt as if we wanted to settle down to good hard study for a rest. But, we feel, indeed, justly paid for all our strenuous work, for we are all thoroughly delighted with our eleven new pledges.

Rushing this year was more successful than it has been for several years, one or two features in particular. We gave a tea for the rushees and their mothers which seemed to impress many of them very favorably. Mothers are often in doubt as to just what they want their daughters to do when they enter college, and we feel that this is an excellent plan for helping them decide. We are always pleased to have our alumnae help us with our entertaining at rushing time as we are confident they impress the new girls very favorably. They were kind enough this year to entertain by giving a beautiful progressive formal dinner, which, we think, was the prettiest, and the most dignified of all our parties.

I cannot say enough about how cheerful we girls are over the fact that our house is so well filled this year. A number of the freshmen moved in as soon as they were pledged. Every room is full, and we couldn't do without the sleeping porch. Margaret Jordan, Alpha '94 is our chaperon again, and Mrs. Jordan will remain with us again also.

7 October 1912

*Victorine Bouillon.*

'89 Sevilla Cleveland Axtell (Mrs W. H.), Alpha, is the Republican candidate for the state legislature.

'02 Helen Taylor Busch (Mrs John), Delta, is living in Seattle.

'07 Born to Mr and Mrs Robert H. Evans (Hermie Sherman) a son, May 29.

'08 Born to Mr and Mrs Wiley Hemphill (Mayme Miller) a daughter, Aug. 22.

'08 Born to Mr and Mrs Jean White (Nellie May Dunlap) a son, June 18.

'08 Mary Bowlby was married to John Ela, May 15. They are living at Ketchikan, Alaska.

'10 Louise Jordan, Alpha, has announced her engagement to Mr Charles Strong, K. S.

'10 Lillian Lowman is living in Seattle this winter.

'11-ex Vera Jones married Howard Gifford, July 17.

'12 Beulah Holeman is teaching in Hughson, Cal.

'12 Agnes Lovejoy married William Shannon, Sept. 25.

'12 Fay Wright married James Franklin Brokaw, B. Θ. II., July 16.

'12-ex Born to Mr and Mrs John Burkheimer (Ruby Snyder) a daughter, Aug. 25.

'13-ex Lucy Horton is living in St. Charles, Mo.

'14-ex Beatrice Elizabeth Fletcher is attending the Ellensburg normal school.

'14-ex Clotilda Patton is teaching in Hoh, Wash.

'15-ex Marie Cahill has announced her engagement to Parkhurst Brawley, Φ. Δ. Θ.

#### ALPHA MU—UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

Alpha Mu returned twelve girls this fall. Our chaperon is Frances Mason, a former member of this chapter, who is also our commissary and who is taking some hours in the university to obtain her B. S. degree.

The graduates of 1912 were Bess Phillips and Mary Noé. Three other girls—Mary Paxton, Willma Scodie and Susan Wilson—failed to return. Bess Phillips, Irene Curtis, Kathryn Gentry, and Mary Margaret McKinley came back to visit during the rushing season. Efale Brown was back for the cotillion.

Rushing season lasted for two weeks, pledge day being September 28. We are now at liberty to pledge, but not to initiate till the freshmen have fifteen hours credit. The first week was reserved for formals, one night to each sorority. Theta drew Saturday night, and entertained with a cotillion, which excited very favorable comment. The second week was free for all. Theta secured a good many dates, through the rushing committee, composed of Estelle Land, Rosalee Dulaney, and Geraldine Collum, who were busy all summer making plans. Some of our entertainments were—a picnic supper, a formal dinner party, and a card party and buffet supper, besides several minor functions. On the whole we are considered, by ourselves and others, most successful. Not an invitation was lost by the chapter this year, and we feel most elated over the result of Pledge day.

29 September 1912

*Temple Kean*

- '06 Faye Louise Stewart is teaching in San Antonio, Tex.
- '07 Emmadine Langenberk has returned from two year's study in Berlin, and is teaching in the high school in Webster Groves.
- '08-ex Inez Gordon has announced her marriage to Mr. George Herbert Henne.
- '10 Efale Brown is teaching in the home economics department of the Y. W. C. A. in St. Louis.
- '10 Archie Cook, who is teaching in the Mexico, Mo. high school, was back on a visit recently.
- '11 Eloise Bramlitt is teaching in Greenville, Miss.
- '11 Born, to Mr and Mrs Floyd Schumacker (Caroline Tull) a daughter.
- '12 Mary Noe was married this summer to John Fountain, Jr. A T Ω.

#### ALPHA NU—UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

Never before in its short life has Alpha Nu been a more thriving enthusiastic chapter. In spite of sophomore pledging, which we had feared would prove a great hardship, and the fact that five of last year's chapter did not return, the prospects for the coming year are more than favorable. Our number has recently been increased by two pledges: Suzanne Stabern of Helena, Montana, and Diana Uline of Dell Rapids, South Dakota; and by an alumna of Alpha Nu, Stella Duncan, who has been for the past year at Northwestern university.

General conditions in the University of Montana this year are splendid, for it is the beginning of the regime of our new President, Dr. Craighead of Tulane university. The faculty, students and townspeople are all giving most loyal support to the college and its activities.

Panhellenic has fixed the date of pledging freshmen this year for June 4. For sophomores from other colleges, pledge day was three weeks from the day on which they matriculated. Strict rules for rushing freshmen have been passed recently. They permit no mid-week engagements with new girls, and consider every affair a rushing stunt which does not include other freshmen besides the rushees. Before this last rule was passed, however, rushing was carried to extreme by all the fraternities. The Thetas entertained at several very impressive affairs as well as a large number of more informal, but equally effective ones. One of the pleasantest afternoon affairs

was a bridge party at the home of our Patroness, Mrs. E. L. Bonner, at which our patronesses, alumnae, active chapter and ten rushees were entertained. During the third week of school we gave a most successful reception in our suite at Craig hall, for all the new girls in college, and the wives of the faculty.

Theta holds more than her share of college offices this year. She has a Young Woman's Christian association president, a junior class vice-president, a Consumer's league president, a *Kaimin* editor, a gymnasium instructor, an A. S. W. M. vice-president and delegate at large. We were very proud too, of our chapter's scholarship record last spring, when nine out of our thirteen members were on the Scholarship honor roll, and out of four freshmen one Theta was recommended for the Bonner scholarship.

10 October 1912

*Merle Kettlewell*

#### ALPHA XI—UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

Commencement at the University of Oregon lasted one week, and Alpha Xi chapter saw five of her seniors receive the B. A. degree; namely, Jessie Bibie, Mildred Bagley, Merle McKelvey, Jane Knox and Lucia Campbell. Mildred Bagley received honorary mention of her thesis.

During the week we gave our annual Theta breakfast, which is always in charge of the underclassmen. Our alumnae were present, and speeches were made by a representative from every class.

College opened September 17, and Oregon rejoiced to see so many new students. Our formal party, for rushing week, was a six o'clock dinner, given in the Japanese tea room of the Hotel Osburn. Our guests were driven from their respective homes to the hotel, and after the dinner were taken to our chapter house, where the remainder of the evening was spent in dancing.

On the following evening, it being the night before Pledge-day, and the girls very tired after the strenuous week, we thought a rest party would be greatly appreciated. Our den was arranged very attractively with couches and comfortable chairs—magazines were at the disposal of the guests, while some enjoyed the Victrola. The favors were boudoir caps.

The next morning was, as usual, an exciting one. We sent out eleven invitations, and, as all were accepted, we were very happy.

We are sorry to lose Maurine McAdams who has affiliated with Rho, but we are certain she will enjoy her year with the Nebraska Thetas. Also, Aletha Emerick, Frances Adams, Elsie Bain, and Lila Sengstake are not to be with us the first semester, but expect to return the second. Gertrude Taylor, owing to her ill health, will not be in college during the year. All these girls, with the exception of Aletha Emerick, were with us during rushing week.

We hope to have a happy successful year, as we have so many fine freshmen to help our chapter, and conditions in the university are very favorable.

4 October 1912

*Mildred Healey*

- Dr. Anna Shaw visited us during her stay in Eugene.  
'12 Jessie Bibbie is teaching at Shedd, Ore.  
'12 Mildred Bagley is teaching in Eugene.  
'12 Jane Knox is teaching at Stevenson, Wash.  
'11 Cecile Wilcox and Willetta Wright visited us the first week.  
'12-ex Hazel Brown McCurtain from Portland, Ore. visited us the first week.  
'07 Born to Mr and Mrs William Barker (Winifred Cockerline) a son.  
'08 Born to Mr and Mrs McEwan (Adele Golf) twins.  
'06 Born to Mr and Mrs Richard Hathaway (Ella Dobie) a daughter.

#### ALPHA OMICRON—UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

The University of Oklahoma opened its twentieth year with an enrollment of 750 students. There are a number of changes in, and additions to, the faculty; the most important being the new President, Dr. Stratton D. Brooks, who is to be formally inaugurated October 21. The Thetas have lost two faculty members, whose fate may be learned by pursuing the marriages in the personals. We still have Miss Merle Newby, instructor in violin, who took her B. A. degree in the summer school this year, and Miss Louisa Brooke, who has recently been appointed assistant professor of English and Adviser of women.

The new Law building is in the process of construction and when finished will add greatly to the appearance of the campus.

To return to what now seems ancient history, last Commencement

we initiated three pledges, Helen Mitchell of Oklahoma City, Eleanor O'Connor of Salina, Kansas, and Elizabeth Eagleton of Norman. The initiation banquet was the scene of the largest reunion that Alpha Omicron has had since its installation, thirty-eight of the fifty members being present. In this connection, the following account of the chapter may be of interest: Of the fifty initiates twenty-one have taken college degrees; eleven are now active; eleven more expect to finish their college course later; twelve are married; seven are, or have been, on the faculties of the university; and the university record for scholarship is held by Eva May Daves, 1911.

The 1912 graduates from Alpha Omicron were Gertrude Buxton, Oklahoma City; Frances Dorchester, Paul's Valley; and Mabel Thacker, Lexington, all B. A.'s.

The gaiety of Commencement week was further increased by two Theta weddings, that of Nina Bessent to Mr. Benjamin Gilbert Owen, the popular university coach on May 22, and that of Adelaide Loomis to Mr. George Bertrand Parker, the City editor of the *Oklahoma News* of Oklahoma City, on June 12.

During the summer two Thetas, Jean Tolbert and Luella Bretch, went as delegates to the Young Women's Christian association summer conference at Monte Ne, Arkansas. Ida Agnes Pyle was Alpha Omicron's delegate to the District convention at Galveston, Texas.

A Panhellenic alumnae association has been formed in Oklahoma City of which Adelaide Loomis Parker (Mrs. G. B.), Kappa Alpha Theta, is secretary. A Theta club has also been formed in Oklahoma City looking to the establishment of an alumnae chapter.

Turning now to the affairs of the rushing season, September 24 was the first day of enrollment, at which time nine active members returned. After two weeks of strenuous rushing against Pi Beta Phi and Delta Delta Delta, Alpha Omicron announces ten pledges. We are very proud of all our new pledges, especially of Helen and Marion Brooks, the daughters of the new president of the university, and of Lorena Cruce, the daughter of the Governor of the State.

We are fortunate to retain Mrs. Felgar, a patroness, as chaperon. During the summer she and Professor Felgar built a large comfortable house in which we lease rooms. We board with another patroness, Mrs. Bradley.

Several successful rushing parties were given during the summer by resident Thetas and summer students. Among those were swimming parties, informal dances, and a week-end house party with a dance at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon house and a breakfast at the Sigma Nu house. The Oklahoma City Thetas gave a progressive house party the week before the opening of the university. October 2, Mrs. Bradley and Mrs. Buchanan, two of our patronesses, gave a novel afternoon party, a Theta track-meet for which tin loving-cups were given as trophies.

Counting pledges and initiates there will be fifteen girls in the house this year and one living outside. We look forward to a successful year, and the best wish we can send you is that for every chapter the year may open as well as it has for Alpha Omicron.

*Minnie Lee Burrus*

'10 Nina Bessent and Benjamin Gilbert Owen,  $\Sigma$  N, were married May 22. They will live in Norman.

'06 Adelaide Loomis, M. A. '10 and George Bertrand Parker, K A, were married June 12. Address: 1603 Western ave. Oklahoma City.

'11 Lottie Louise Boyle and Benton Moyer, X  $\Psi$ , were married Sept. 8. Address: San Benito, Tex.

'10-ex Margery Paxton and King Larimore, B  $\Theta$  II, were married Sept. 18. Address: 1125 N. Harvey st. Oklahoma City.

'10 The engagement has been announced of Bess Brewer to Joseph J. McConnell,  $\Sigma$  A E '10, Iowa State university. They will be married in Oct. and will sail immediately for India where Mr. McConnell is to be Student secretary of Y. M. C. A. in the University of Calcutta. Miss Brewer was Piano instructor and Mr. McConnell, student Y. M. C. A. secretary at the University of Oklahoma.

'12 The engagement has been announced of Gertrude Buxton to Edwin Terrell Fleming, B  $\Theta$  II. They will be married in Oklahoma City, Nov. 13, after which they will live in Enid, Okla.

The following Thetas were back for initiation and reunion banquet, June 8: Alta Loomis Carder, Marie Hunter McMurray, Ruby Givens Johnson, Nell Goodrich DeGolyer, Pearl Goodrich, Eva Daves, Myrl Edie, Lottie Boyle, Gertrude Buxton, Mabel Thacker, Glenn and Hazel Martin, Nannolene Deu Pree, Callie Goodrich, Agnes Lindsay Wantland, Nancy Longnecker.

Maybelle Williams, Eta Beta Pi, visited the chapter during Commencement week.

Glenn Martin, Mable Thacker, and Fannie Haynes attended the summer school.

'07 Merle Newby, B. A. '12, spent August in Colorado Springs.

'07 Mary Alice Boyd spent the summer in Norman. Her new address is 123 S. High st. Albuquerque, N. M. Her father is the new president of the University of New Mexico.

'07 Ine Johnson spent the summer in Chicago, Detroit, New York and Washington.

'14 Isadel Bozell (Mrs H. V.) visited in Kansas City, Topeka and Chicago.

'14-ex Grace Williams is teaching in McAllister.

'14-ex Mary Virgin is teaching in Noble.

'12 Frances Dorchester visited at the Theta house during rushing season.

'07 Louisa Brooke, Vassar, spent the summer in Yonkers and New York city.

#### ALPHA PI—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

College opened September 24 with a snow storm and sophomore pledge, both of which were entirely successful. There was a little rushing, and pledging began September 28. Sophomores may be pledged till October 15 and juniors and seniors any time during the year. On October 12 we will initiate fifteen pledges, thirteen of whom were pledged last spring.

Class and organization elections are being held daily. Gertrude Cunningham is vice-president of the senior class, Vera Markell is vice-president of the sophomore class. Jessie Budge, Alice Kolars, Olga Serumgard, and Hazel Ladd were elected members of the Women's league board. Inez Serumgard is vice-president of the Glee club and Clara Burman, treasurer. In the Young Women's Christian association, Ethel Renwick is head of the devotional work and Pauline Serumgard, social chairman. Vera Kelsey is a member of the Executive board and secretary of the Dean's assistant council. Then we have four editors on the Dakota staff, the annual published by the junior class; and the literary editor of the Weekly student.

The Dean's assistant council is a new organization composed of the junior and senior girls who act as advisers to the freshmen. Though new it is very successful and helps not only the freshman but the adviser.

As yet chapter affairs are rather unsettled, but we hope soon to have a chapter room near the university and have a regular evening for meetings. The Board on student organizations does not approve of evening meetings, so in former years we have been forced to have

our meetings at some class hour. This does not give us an opportunity to give our best either to the university or to Theta. Our present aims are a large delegation to Convention, a chapter house, and last but not least, good scholarship.

5 October 1912

Vera Kelsey

'08 Mary Belle Flemington is a candidate for County superintendent of Dickey county.

'08 Beatrice Olson is head of the English department in the Fargo high school.

'09 Echo Turner is teaching in the public schools at Grand Forks this winter.

'10 Rose Conmy is principal of the Humboldt high school.

'10 Jean Fraser is doing graduate work at Bryn Mawr. Address: Denbigh hall, Bryn Mawr, Pa.

'11 Emily Nash is taking post-graduate work at the Chicago school of music.

'11 Maude Templeton is at home in Grand Forks and is acting as alumnae adviser to Alpha Pi.

'11-ex Lottie Canham is at home in Jamestown this winter.

'12 Annie McIlraith is principal of the Leeds high school.

'12 Donna Forkner is teaching German and mathematics in the Wuhpeton high school.

'12 Blanche Daily, pledged, entered the University of Minnesota this fall and was pledged to Upsilon.

'12-ex Clara Flemington is head of the Domestic science department in the Beach high school.

'12-ex Mildred Holmes is living at home in Devil's Lake this winter and teaching in the city schools.

#### ALPHA RHO—UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Alpha Rho begins its first college year with high aspirations, and with a determination to uphold the high ideals of our national organization. We feel deeply the increased responsibility.

Our two weeks of rushing has closed very successfully and happily in the pledging of eight splendid girls. We have pledged also two of our old T. B. D. girls and hope to hold a special initiation for them soon. Although new to the rules of Panhellenic, they have been very successful.

Our chapter is sorrowing deeply in the loss of one of our oldest T. B. D. and most loyal and interested Theta sisters, Theresa

Swezey, who passed away on July 3. She was our chapter adviser, and we have lost in her one of our most loved and cherished members.

During the past week the local fraternity of Beta Gamma has been installed into Beta Theta Pi, and we rejoice with them in their new national ties.

Three of our girls, Bernice Swezey, Florence Gray, and Florence Chaney were at Lake Geneva in August for the Young Women's Christian Association conference, and greatly appreciated the privilege of meeting so many grand girls from our sister chapters. Two other Alpha Rhos, Adele Lewis and Ayleen Goefert, made the acquaintance of some of the Upsilon girls, while in Minneapolis.

Announcement has come this week of the marriage of our District president, Miss Post. We are happy in the fact that she returns to us as president.

Our plans for a house had to be given up this year, but we are hoping that sometime in the very near future, we may have one.

6 October 1912

*Florence C. Chaney*

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